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HOME FROM AFRICA

MR. J. N. CALLOWAY SUBMITS TO AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW.

THE NATIVES AND THEIR HABITS.

A Great Field for a Limited Number of Negroes who are Versed in Cotton Raising—Natives Show a Disposition to Learn to Labor.

Mr. J. N. Galloway, the Tuskegee teacher of agriculture, who, a year and a half ago went with three of the graduates of Tuskegee Industrial Institute to the German colony of Togo, in West Africa, to teach cotton raising to the natives there, has returned to his home at Tuskegee for a month's vacation. The three young men who went with him remained in Africa. Mr. Calloway expects to return the last of March, and wishes to take back with him a limited number of young Negro men who understand practical, modern agriculture—more especially the cultivation of cotton—who can be located among the natives as model farmers.

This is not in any sense an emigration scheme, all these persons having been hired by the German Colonial Economic Society to work at a salary. This is a society made up of two thousand of the leading titled personages and most prominent men in Germany to experiment in the possibilities of developing the German colonies. They work in close co-operation with the German government.

Mr. Calloway is able to tell many interesting things about this part of Africa, and to give much valuable information about it. It was in this part of the continent that the slave trade flourished most vigorously, and the ancestors of most of the Negroes now in the United States came from there or near there. In the case of the original party of four men who went from Tuskegee a year and a half ago, it is known that two of them are descendants of slaves brought from there, and this probably true of all of them. Oddly enough, the first place where the boat stopped so that Mr. Calloway and his associates could go ashore, was at a little Portuguese settlement that had been a center of the slave trade, and a port from which ships were loaded. The town is still surrounded by a high brick wall, and the gates of this are securely shut every night even yet, on account, it was supposed, of the hard feeling which the natives still have for the Portuguese on account of their participation in the trade.

Dome, the first German town at which the steamer stopped, and the seaport of the colony, is a flourishing German town, with broad streets. Most of the houses are of mud, built by setting up poles in the ground, weaving palm branches back and fourth between the poles, and then plastering the whole with mud. The roofs are of grass, because that is not only cheaper but cooler than iron or wood. The source from which the mud for making the walls is obtained is peculiar. While the steamer was coasting along near the shore, the men saw what at first they thought to be fields of shocks of corn. Closer inspection showed, though, that what they had taken for the shocks were ant hills, in which that country abounds. These ant hills are built of clay, and in the process of building, the insects work the clay over until it is very fine and easily glued together. The natives take advantage of this preparation. When they want to build a house they break down an ant hill, and pulverize and moisten the clay of which the walls were composed and use it for the walls of their own houses.

The plantation was located at a point sixty miles inland, at a place where, on account of intersection or roads, and plenty of water, the conditions were favorable. There are fair roads throughout much of the colony, built by the natives under government direction. It would have been possible to drive all the way from Dome the whole sixty miles in a buggy, if there had been any buggy or anything to draw it. So far neither horse nor cattle have been able to withstand the bite of the tzetze fly. Twenty-horses and twenty-two head of oxen sent out for this party later, all died from being bitten by this fly. Mules were not tried by these men, but they had been tried there by others, and with no better success. With its accustomed thoroughness and attention to essential details, the German government has skilled scientific men in the colony studying the fly and the effects of its bite upon the animals, and experimenting to see if inoculation or some other kind of treatment cannot be discovered which will make the animal immune. Sheep are not affected by the fly, excellent mutton being raised in the colony, and its bite upon human beings does not seem to produce any ill effects unless it may be that it helps to carry the malaria that prevails in that climate, and of this there is no proof, since the country abounds in mosquitoes, who are under conviction at present as the chief malaria carrier.

As Mr. Calloway wished to make a study of the tzetze fly, he offered the natives a copper each for every specimen they would bring him. In an astonishingly short space of time he was supplied with sixty specimens, and as so many other natives were reported to be preparing to engage in this—for them—astonishingly profitable occupation, he was obliged to withdraw the offer. A "copper" is equivolent to a cent and a quarter in American money. Several of the natives were bitten by the flies while they were bringing them to him, but apparently with no bad effect.

Along with a quantity of cotton seed, a gin, farming tools and supplies, the four men had taken out with them two lumber wagons, one of them made in the wheelwrighting shop at Tuskegee Institute. A party of natives having been secured for them, the Americans proposed that the natives put the other goods in the wagons and then draw the wagons, but to this the natives demurred. They had never seen such vehicles before, and they were afraid they would get away from them and run over them. They offered to carry the wagons on their heads, though, but draw them they would not. The matter was finally compromised by their taking all the other goods on their heads, and the wagons being left until the horses came out later. The three young men walked. Mr. Calloway was carried in a hammock slung to a pole fastened to two boards which rested on the heads of four natives. Some who read this may remember seeing the man who was in command of the Dahomey village on the Midway Pleasants at the World's Fair at Chicago being carried about in this same way. As a proof of the willingness of the natives to learn, however, Mr. Galloway stated that after they had become accustomed to the wagons they did not hesitate to draw them, and when he came back to the coast he was drawn in a two wheeled cart by natives. The trip of sixty miles was made in four days, with all the freight that the party had carried on the heads of the men.

Arriving at the place where the plantation was to be located, one hundred acres of land were selected. This, like nearly all the ground there, was covered with stout grass in some places as much as twenty feet high. A field of this much resembles what in the South is called a cane thicket. The grass was burned and the entire space was dug up with stout spades. Men dug up the ground and women and children knocked the dirt out of the grass roots and piled the roots up to be burned. A great part of the work in the native fields is done by the women. The chief native crops are cotton and yams, both usually planted in the same field.

While this work was being done, a five room mud house was built for the new-comers, and in this they have lived ever since. They sleep on low beds made by stretching canvas over posts driven into the ground. The natives are willing to work—considering that they have never been used to steady labor, and that mere existence is so easy in that climate. They are docile and pleasant to get along with. Among themselves they are apt to have a good many petty disputes and are fond of going to law with them. This process meant, in serious cases, appealing to the German officials, but they liked to bring many minor differences to Mr. Galloway, as a judge, to decide. One rather common case would be that of a man whose wife had left him for some other man. As marriage there is a matter of purchase, the plaintiff's plea usually was that the other man ought to pay over what the woman had cost in the first place, and refund whatever amount had been paid out on her for clothes, gin, jewelry and such things. Not unfrequently this was done. The natives, especially the women, are exceedingly fond of adornment, and it was no unusual thing to see a woman with as much as fifteen pounds of ivory and metal bracelets and anklets on.

Arrangements to secure laborers are usually made through the chiefs of the tribes. The wages paid ranged from ten to twenty cents a day, and the men boarded themselves. The common food of the natives is a yam, something like a hugh white potato. This is boiled and the substance beaten into a paste not unlike bread dough. Europeans and Americans can have almost any food they wish to pay for. Flour came from Minnesota, ham from Chicago, butter from Denmark, canned fruit from California. Food brought so far is naturally high in price. Ham was 40 cents a pound. Indian corn grows abundently in the country, and "roasting ears," as they call them down South, can be had for nine months in succession. All kinds of tropical fruits grow in abundance, the wild pine apple being larger and more delicious than the best sold in the markets in this country. Oranges are small, not so sweet and with more seeds, the result probably of lack of cultivation. Sixteen limes can be bought for a copper.

There is not much hunting, since the grass is burned off frequently to clear the ground, and also to drive out any game that may be hidden in it. Monkeys abound, and do much damage to crops unless driven away. The natives are allowed to have only flint lock muskets.

German officers are stationed at various places in the colony, and there are German Protestant and Catholic missionaries. The climate in winter is like a Southern state's Indian summer. June, July, August and September are like a rainy summer in the South. The temperature never goes above 95 degrees, and never below 70. The location is about six degrees north of the equator. Malarial fevers are prevalent, both among the natives and foreigners, but the taking of plenty of quinine by the latter seems to ward off serious results. When the natives are sick they steep and take what they call "bush" medicine. It has been suggested that by investigating these "bush" remedies valuable medicines may be discovered. Some of the natives are Mahomedans and some Pagans. When a person dies, he or she is buried and the ground tramped down so as to obliterate any traces of the grave. Then if the dead person has been some one of prominence, or of sufficient wealth to afford it, two or three kegs of gin are opened, powder is fired off and a general feast and celebration is held.

As all the live stock sent over for this party died, it became necessary to use native labor for everything. The plows used for furrowing out the cotton were drawn by natives, four men to a plow. One of the young men taken over was a graduate of the Tuskegee mechanical department. He set up the gin carried over, and after the animals died, rigged the machine with four sweeps instead of one. Six natives were then put on to each sweep, and the twenty-four furnished all the power necessary. They thought the work quite a lark, and walked around singing. As a general thing they are cheerful and fond of singing. Mr. Calloway said that if there was a big job of work to be done, the best thing was to hire one man to sit beside the field and beat a bass drum. Then all the rest would sing an accompaniment and work happily. His impression is that the natives are willing and glad to learn to work, and that while their standards of morality are different from those of more civilized communities, they live up to those they do have quite as well as other people. He thought there was very little tendency to theft.

As to the probable ultimate success of the cotton planting experiment as an investment, Mr. Calloway is not at liberty to speak until after the official German report is issued. That he is to go back, though, and carry more men with him, would seem to indicate that the progress of the work had been thought encouraging. Cotton has been grown in that part of Africa by the natives in a crude way since time immemorial. As there is no frost to cut the plants down, they grow on and on from year to year until they become to be trees, but the crop deteriorates in quality so much as it grows older, that the plants are rarely allowed to grow to be more than two, or at the most, three years old.

Mr. Calloway speaks in the highest terms of the courtesy and intelligence of the German officers with whom he came in contact. They were well posted with regard to affairs in this country, and news from America reached there through the medium of the German press.

MAX BENNETT THRASHER.

Tuskegee, Ala.

MR. M. V. BURGESS,

DRUGGIST, BRYAN, TEXAS.

A SWELL ENTERTAINMENT.

A Surprise Party Tendered a Society Belle—Current Happenings.

Cairo, Ill., Special.—The entertainment given by C. P. Wilson, 515 Fifteenth street, March 7, for the benefit of the Poplar Street Baptist church, was a swell affair. The house was crowded to its utmost. Various games were indulged in. Bedford Dunlap acted as king, and Miss Sadie Scott as queen of the evening. Jewel Mapel, of Paducah, was the guest of W. A. Plumer, of Walnut street. Jesse Corner, of Holliday, Ill., was in the city on business recently. Jas. Boldden and Dr. J. S. Bullet were in the city on the 5th. Mrs. Isaac Brooks entertained a number of young people in honor of her two daughters, Amelia and Susie. Those present were, Misses Fannie Hickson, Beatrice Philips, Hattie Thacker, Lovie Williams, Lillie Snanks, Myra Scott, Bertha Evans, Sadie Scott, George Philips, Charlie Philips, Walter Robinson, Chas. Nickle, Wm. Lancaster, Willard Thacker and Robt. Corsen. Music by Overby band. Pearl Head and Eliza Hunter, are two first class ball players and are open for engagements. Address them at 1314 Poplar street. The Owl and Whist clubs are requested to turn out in full force on the 25th and give Prof. Jones a royal reception. Rev. S. P. Anderson desires his friends to call at his barber shop, 2809 Commercial avenue, when needing a shave. The little daughter of Mrs. Frances Taylor is very ill. Miss Ida Moss, of 429 Douglass street, was taken by surprise the 3d inst., by a large number of her friends pouring in. She entertained them royally. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Hogan, Mattie Bradley, L. McClaine, J. Jackson, Gus Martial, Earl Grim, Guy Davis, Will Phelps. Will Scott acted as toast master. Mrs. Frances Taylor, 1704 Cedar street, would like to know of the whereabouts of her brother, Robert Wheeler. When last heard from he was in Wind Maker, Trinity county. The banquet given by the Roosevelt club on the 6th inst., in honor of Mrs. Callie Owens, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Sallie Cross, of Carbendale, Ill., was a swell affair. Those present were Mmes. Clara Hamilton, Ada James, Blanch Young, Carrie Fields, Bammer Rogers, Sarah Phelps, Bessie Watts and Miss Benton. The officers are, Charlie Hamilton, president; Buddie Hamilton, vice-president; Emery Williams, secretary; E. E. Dickson, assistant secretary; Geo. Washington, entertainer; Mute Morrison, toast master; Troy Mack, receiver; Henry Brown "Jolly Boy;" Henry Martin, "Good Morning Carrie;" Joe Brown, "I Can't Tell How I Love You, but I Do;" Dan Cherry, "My Foot is Not Well;" Charlie Tyler, "As Usual;" Preston Herbert, "Come if you Need them Pressed;" Tom Mems and Diana Mack Gardner, "I Love Her in the Same Old Way;" Will Turner, "Let us Have it Over;" Charles Williams, "She Isn't Here;" Albert Hall, "My was not Out;" Nick Morrison, "Free for All." At 12:30 the table was spread and all partook of the luxuries of the season. Every one went home highly pleased. The mask entertainment given at Clancey's hall on the 8th, by the A. M. E. church, was well attended. Jake Young won the prize. Mrs. E. A. Watkins, a teacher in Unity schools, visited her mother recently. Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Johnson, of 320 Twenty-sixth street, are mourning the death of their infant. Don't overlook the free lunch of Richard Taylor every Saturday night. You are treated nice at the sample room of G. Childs. John Tylor is at the same stand, and would be pleased to see you. A royal good time is assured at Clancey's hall on the 25th. This is to be "the" affair of the season, so don't fail to be present. The colored people of this city should patronize the drug store of Mr. Simon, known as the "Red Cross." He has given employment to a member of our race in the person of Charles Hamilton, and we should show our appreciation of fair treatment.

FUTRELL CITY NEWS.

The C. M. E. church will give a Bible scenery and festival on the 21st. The general public is invited. Our little town has begun to take on a spring appearance and every one is preparing to make garden and raise spring chickens.

From Across the Pacific.

Castillijos, Zambales Prov., P. I.
Jan., 24, 1902.

Editor Freeman.

Sir:—Your valuable paper reaches us regularly and we are always pleased at receiving it. To read it is almost like conversing with someone direct from the United States. Sir, you have no doubt seen the Phillipines treated by a great many writers as "A God Forsaken Country," but I wish to say however, that such is not the case. All such ideas concerning this country originated in the minds of men inured to almost incessant fighting Inines, that tried men's souls, thereby confirming the famous opinion of a famous general that "War is hell." Nothing but the worry and fatigue caused by sleepless nights and long and forced marches over hills and mountains, through jungles, mud and water will cause such negative opinions to form themselves in the human mind and subsequently find their way into speech. I will say to all colored American readers of the Freeman and to the public at large that the Phillipines are far from being a "God Forsaken Country." The worst that can be said of the Phillipines is that they are practically an undeveloped group of islands for which there is in store a brilliant future. I shall say to all industrious and energetic colored Americans, after much reasoning and deliberations that they cannot do anything more beneficial to themselves than to come over here while the country is still in its infancy and being here to help reap the harvest which we shall soon begin to gather in. In this country will be many fortunes made. Why not come and share with us the glorious good times which are sure to come? Come now? The first to come will be the first served. Be among the first. A few dollars invested now will yield big returns, Desirable correspondence a pleasure. Respectfully,

WM. F. BLAKENY,
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Chicago, Ill., Special to The Freeman.

On Thursday evening March 6, at the home of Mrs. C. R. Johnson, 2945 Armour Avenue was served a splendid dinner of most toothsome delicacies. Good music was furnished by the Philharmonic orchestra.

On Tuesday evening, March, 18 the choral study club renderes the beautiful cantata, "The Story of Calvary" ably assisted by a recital from Mr. Frank O Peers. Admission fee will be 15 cents.

The Bohemians appear at the Arlington hall hall Easter Monday night, March, 31. Be sure to go and see them. Armants orchestra will give them fine music. Tickets 25 cents.

Nicely furnished rooms for rent at 3138 Armour avenue, large and airy.

Mrs. Ella Murray, wife of A. L. Murray, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, who has been very sick for the past five weeks is slowly improving.

If you want good home made baking go to 3023 Dearborn. The ladies auxilliary of St. Thomas church have them on sale every Saturday during the Lenten season.

NORTH SIDE NOTES.

The entertainment to be given by the North side Woman's club at 565 Wells-st. promises to be a swell affair. Go and enjoy yourselves. There will be good music on hand.

The December Whist club met Tuesday evening, March 11 at the home of Mrs. T. I. Hart, 446 Wells street.

We regret very much that Mrs. Ovesstreet secretary of the Sunday club was called to Lawrence Kansas last week on account of the very sudden death of her father.

There was a "baked owl" social given at 360 North Clark street last Tuesday evening March 11, for the benefit of Wayman A. M. E. Sunday school. Each person attending received a "baked owl" souvenir. All enjoyed themselves.

The readers will remember little Edith, daughter of Mrs. R. D. Smith of 493 Wells street who has been sick foo some time. Her condition is such that one can see nothing hopeful. Her case is truly a sad one. In a letter from her mother she wishes to be remembered to the editor of this column and says also, "thanks for the nice things you said about me." Our earnest wish is for Edith's recovery.

Olivet Sunday School was attended by 560 scholars. Miss Blandina Albright reviewed the lesson. Visitors seven; collection, $6.91. Eleven a. m. covenant meeting. Many participated in the communion. Thirty minutes were devoted to prayer and praise. Eighteen manifested a desire of regeneration. 3 p. m., Juniors held their services; 6.30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. held a very lively session under the leadership of Sup't. H. F. Elby. Mrs. Ruth Elby rendered a vocal solo entitled, "O, Lamb of God," which was very impressive. 8 p. m. Rev. J. F. Thomas, the pastor delivered an excellent discourse, theme, "Saint and Sinner." Ref. Daniel 12th chapter, 2nd and 3rd verses. Friday evening praper meeting was well attended. All are cordially invited to attend our series of revival meetings.

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253 Twenty-ninth street.

Brief, Busy Bruises.

Pittsburg, Pa., Special.—Mr. Winston B. Hill, until recently editor of the National Waiters Advocate, of Washington, D. C., is now a resident of this city. Though he is on the staff of the Washington Advocate, he is engaged in the arduous task of planting the "Mutual Relief Society of Washington here. Howard Fulks has been appointed day foreman over the porters at the Union Station. Mr. Fulks is also from the capital of the nation. R. L. Echols is now mixologist at the union station. Lawyer LeRoy Bryant, of North Carolina, has been added to our social circle. He intends pleading at the bar. Lieutenant Harry Burgess, late of the 10th Immunes passed through the city on the 5th on his way to California.

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WOMAN'S WORK

BY MRS. BOOKER, T. WASHINGTON
Of Tuskegee, Ala.

President of the Southern Federation of Colored Women. Read at the Meeting of the Federation in Vicksburg, Miss.

Our work is of the present—Our block of stone is before us, but can we see the angel in the flinty, rugged surface? Are our chisels sharp, are our hands sure for smooth and steady strokes? What inspires with hope and courage for our task? "My thoughts go up the long dim paths of years, back to the earliest days of liberty."

We cannot turn to the past and receive inspiration from the work of our pioneer mothers who came with their husbands to seek liberty of thought and action in a new world. We cannot point with pride to the colleges that were founded in those early years by the devotion and self-sacrifice of our colonial mothers.

We cannot boast of the foundation of a pure home life established in the forest wilds. We had no pioneer mothers whose close application to home life was strengthened by tradition and bibical commands and whose motherly counsels made possible the strong, beautiful character of a Margaret Fuller, an Ednah Cheney, a Lucy Stone, a Julia Ward Howe, a Susan B. Anthony or a Francis Willard.

We are identified by a race of mothers that came to this land in schackles, a race of mothers without a past, a race of mothers who lived in bondage two-hundred and forty-five years, without home ties and without those rights of human kind that make man little lower than the angels. Three million slaves set free, homeless, defenseless and in the depths of ignorance—this was our heritage. Thirty-six years have passed. Watchman, what of the night? The watchman said, 'The morning cometh and also the night."

True it is that we are in the formative period of history—We are the pioneers of a race. Are we working to glorify this dawn? Will our children arise and call us blessed when our night has overtaken us? Can we afford to sit silenced by the difficulties and obstacles which surround us in our efforts to rise.

The repeal of the corn laws in England, the revolution of the colonies, the abolition of slavery in America all great results, are due to a union of effort and aim that arouse, instruct and inspire. We are uniting, preparing for action. We wish to swell our ranks. Here is our work. It is huge in proportion; Sphink like in aspect, but it is a solemn task that must be wrought with sacred touch. We must carve out a well rounded home life for the masses of our people.

Many of our young people are being lifted above the their old environments by the schools of our land. Many are in the depths of ignorance. Thousands of our little ones will be doomed to eternal night and many thousands unborn will soon be crowding the same thoroughfare if we do not haste to the rescue. We must save the little ones the homes, the race by placing mothers into a higher life. We can do something by individual effort; we can accomplish much by the agency of united action. "There is no other way but to go on," with our club forces and make the work strong and sure—the campaign must be planned.

History gives us no precedent of an attempt to revolutionize a whole race by training the mothers. The task is peculiarly ours. The inspiration to act springs from a strong desire for the highest welfare of our race.

We cannot rush blindly into the fray. We have an awful responsibility. It is necessary that we find individual character and courage among our forces, that our work will not fall short of the object. The organization will plan the work and sustain the workers in their efforts to change the alarming conditions of affairs in the homes of our people in the city and country.

The mother must be gently led to know that cleanliness is next to Godliness in her home. She must be taught the sacredness of wifehood and motherhood. She must be impressed with the influence that she may exert on her unborn child. She must know the duty she owes to the little life around her; she must be lifted from the filth and sloth of the cabin life of the country on one hand and the crowded, miry, illventilated home of the city on the other. We can reach our mothers better through our mother's unions. We can aid them in the development of a pure home life by supporting kindergartens and day nurseries. How we shall arouse them to see their needs is a much vexed question. The change may be gradually wrought by the influences of cleanliness We can teach the young girls how to sew. That will lead to clean and neatly patched clothes if no better can be afforded. A clean body is the stepping stone to a clean soul. We need a regularly systematized plan for the conduct of the work. We can then instruct and it will follow "as doth night the day," that the inspiration to get out into the higher life will be attained.

Four years before our Civil war, Theodore Parker said sadly, "If our educated men had done their duty, we should not be in the ghastly condition we now bewail." Shall this ever be said of us? Is there a woman "With soul so dead" that she feels that she has enough to do in her social circle, enough to do, perhaps, as a teacher in the public schools, without sacrificing something for the less fortunate? Is there one who will not lift her hand to help in shaping the destiny of a race, outside of what she considers her individual work?

There are those who stand apalled at the club work of our women on the principle that the spirit of our times is tending toward the emancipation of women from home life and duty. It i for the emancipation from the present home life of the masses of our women that we are striving. Not one hair's breadth from our home duties shall our love of race take us except to make happy the homes that are miserable, and better wives and mothers of those whom fortune has made weaker. Seeking with honest purpose the welfare of a people steeped in ignorance, what is our duty? Turn what way you will, the question stares us in the face. We see we must work, but how? What are some of our women doing? Over yonder in a neighboring city is a club that has organized departments of work that bring in fees that are sufficient to support a kindergarten for the little ones. Not many miles away is a town where a club organization is supporting a day nursery that will keep the little ones from vile company and vile talk while their mothers are away at work.

There in one of our states a reformatory is being erected for the boys of our race, who, after a slight misdemeanor, will not be made worse by the vile influence of the chain gang.

Yonder is a band of workers, who, by literary work and other efforts of self-culture, are building a foundation for larger work outside of their organization; they are preparing to help others by helping themselves. Here and there are others doing what they can in the work. A mighty mass is yet to be shapened. We are here to act and we must be up and doing.

We know what is before us. Let us go home determined to keep our houses neat and tidy, to cook that meat better, to mend that garment more carefully, to make that dress, to teach that lesson, to train those children better, because it means just that much more work done in shaping our destiny.

Beginning with those who have had advantages, let the home life be such a one of perfect constancy that a weaker one may be strengthened to do better.

Put your boys into your workshops—teach them to work that they may the better earn their bread. Give your girls that training in handiwork, cooking, sewing and housekeeping that will help them to take our places when we are no more.

Unite all of these means and see how well you are fitted to help the weaker ones to take care of themselves. Work, work, work! Call the young women, call the mothers. Form unions and make them so strong that the necessity of clenliness, the necessity of owning homes, the necessity of making themselves fit for the sacred duties of wife and motherhood, will become so deeply imbued in their souls that they and we too shall rise, shine, give God the glory for the conquest.

We are here to day several hundred strong. We are pioneer mothers of millions of freedmen. How much will each woman, how much will each mother, how much will each representative club do to help the good work on? Go with me to any of the large cities of the North-Stand for a few moments in a large union station, and we shall see hundreds and thousands of people passing to and from the numerous trains. But let there be one traveler in trouble from loss of money or distress of any kind that have come from being alone in a strange place, and a kind hand is extended by a quiet passer whose work it is to relive the troubled stranger. Girls whose friends fail to meet them and who might be led into the traps and pitfalls of a large city are cared for Young women in search of employment, but who might be tempted to go to houses of ill repute because their vile agents hold out to the unwary the easy work and high wages for a life of sin- These are saved from the fearful doom. Girls who are wilfully going into danger are direcsed into the right path

That work represents an association working for the good of womankind. Our work means a combined interest for the home and people—So let us "Join hands." Let kith and kin stand close as a shield wall. Who breaks us then? We may see danger ahead. It may come if we step too far aside from our home duties. It may come if we turn too far away from the object of club work and lose its dim certainty while struggling for the right of leadership, for empty titles, for fleeting honors.

Look well to your homes. Keep the club object in view. Organize with your best women, plan for young soul's growth, for the advance of your work, for your individual and united influence on others. Join the city federations Unite with the State Federation. Come into this organization, the Southern Federation, join hands with the National, extend the work by faithful, earnest, prayerful efforts, and the angel in the stone will be freed.

The present is ours to work, to hope, to endure, to inspire; but the future will be our children's children for whose sake we must struggle.

"Some of these days all the skies will be brighter,
Some of these days all our hearts will be lighter,
Souls will be whiter, hearts will be happier,
Some of these days."

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IN GREATER NEW YORK

Benefit Entertainment in Aid of a Colored Industrial Shool--Notes.

Greater New York Special.—A giant benefit performance under the directorship of Messrs Bob Cole and Chas. S. Sager will be given at the Carnegie Lyceum, Friday evening April, 18, in aid of a colored industrial school to be established in this city modeled upon the same lines as Booker T. Washington's institution at Tuskegee. Rev. Horace G. Miller, a prominent Presbyterian minister is the head of the project and the president, secretary and treasurer are all reputable white capitalists of Greater New York who are identified as the country's foremost philanthropists. The industrial school movement is endorsed by all of the colored interdenominational bodies of Greater New York. There will be a hundred or more volunteers from the professional and non-professional ranks and judging from the past reputation of Messrs Cole and Sager as producers, the public can await with pleasure the entertainment for an evening of rare pleasure.—Mrs. Tillie Watkins who has been on the sick list for the past three months is able to be out again. She is an ardent admirer of the Freeman.—The reception given by Mr. E. H. Mitchell at his residence on the evening of Feb. 26 was a brilliant affair. Music was furnished by Messrs. Davis, Gilbert and Hall. Among those present were Miss Carrie Russell, Miss Iola Russell, Miss Jennie Stewart, James Mitchell, T. Juricke, P. P. Lee, P. H. Daly, N. Gilbert, R. K. Raglan, James Smith, A. Stewart, R. Gibson, G. Wilson, C. C. Davis and G. Hall.—Mrs. Fanny Hinton, of High point N. C., who was called to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Tillie Watkins has returned home.—Now is the time to subscribe for The Freeman, the greatest of all Negro journals, known and seen everywhere. Items for publication and subscriptions received by J. Harry Jackson, 140 W. 31st-st. Greater New York representative—Jesse E. Manley, entertained a few of his friends on the evening of the 25 at the residence of Mrs. Fannie White 218 W. 47th-st. A most sumptuous repast was enjoyed. Music, cards and dancing were the features of the evening, which lasted until a late hour. Among those present were: Misses Agnes Miller, Cora Mackin, Rosa Wright, Alpean Davis, Emma Doe, Cora Cleary, Messrs Carl P. Hudson, Louie Duvalle, W. Grant Williams, Wm. A. Allen and Frank Fountain. Music was furnished by Messrs. Hudson and Duvall. Everybody enjoyed themselves. Frank Moore of Saratoga Springs is in the city enroute to Pittsburg.

News of a General Character.

Shelbyville, Ind., Special.—Mrs. A. A. Goins, of Seymour, is visiting her daughter here. Miss Henrietta Dudley is not much better. Messrs. Anderson Penich visited in Indianapolis last Sunday. Miss Gertie Morgan is confined to her home. Miss Mabel Johnson, is ill. The choir of the Second Baptist church gave an entertainment in the basement of the church on the 8th. The little folks had an enjoyable time at the birthday anniversary of Master Thomas Vaughn on the 3d inst. Miss Robbie King celebrated her 14th birthday anniversary on the 1st inst. She received many nice presents. Refreshments were served. The Young Men's Christian Reform society met Sunday afternoon. Read The Freeman, the best Negro newspaper published.

Confrmed in the Church.

Spracuse, N. Y., Special. — Bishop Huntington confirmed a large class at St. Philips Episcopal church on the 9th inst. The young people of Bethany Baptist church gave an entertainment for its benefit on the 13th and 14th inst. A lengthy program was rendered. W. H. Crocket has opened a shoe shining parlor and cigar stand at 330 E. Genesee street. Mr. Crocket is the first waiter who has entered the busines field for many years. Mrs. Maud Jones and Miss Eva Lewis entertained a few friends at euchre at their home, 833 E Washington street, on the 28th ult The house was decorated with smilax An excellent menu was served. Mrs. J. K. Leonard died on the 2d inst., after a lingering illness, at her home 616 E. Washington street. Mrs. Leonard was a member of St. Philips Episcopal church. Her remains were shipped to Adams for burial.

The Independent Brotherhood.

Orlando, Fla., Special.—Application was granted on the 5th ult., to establish a lodge of the Independent Brotherhood in this city. This organization has added more than 3,000 members to its rolls during the year in this state. It has paid to sick members $2,500 in the past twelve months. At the meeting of the grand lodge on the 5th ult., Hon. W. H. Herring was elected grand master; W. G. Timmon, of Ocoee, grand secretary; A. W. White, deputy grand master; J. E. Clark, grand treasurer. Rev. J. P. Taylor has been appointed organizer for the eastern part of the state, and Rev. R. S. Singleton as deputy. Rev. and Mrs. G. F. Faison, of Goldsborough, N. C, are visiting in the city. Bishop Handy opened the Florida conference on the 25th ult., in the city of Jacksonville. Presiding Elder Hawkins preached at Mt. Olive A. M. E. church on Sunday night, the 2d inst. A. M. Hawkins left on the 3d for Jacksonville. W. H. Herring will attend the conference to be held by the Masons in Charleston, S. C.

Will Make a Good Report.

Connersville, Ind., Special —Wiley's Chapel M. E. church has enjoyed another successful year under the pastorate of Rev. J. S. Bailey. He will have a splendid report for the annual conference, which convenes on the 27th. In the rally on the 2d inst., Rev. G. W. Barron, pastor of the First M. E church, preached an eloquent sermon at 3 p. m., at the close of which a spendid collection was raised. The choir rendered choice music. Hon. F. T. Roots delivered a ringing address. The sum of $140 was raised during the day. A successful revival was held in January, resulting in 8 accessions to the church. The Epworth League observed Emancipation day, and was addressed by Rev. E. L. Gilliam, D. D., of Indianapolis, to the delight of his hearers.

Gave a Jubilee Concert.

Cadiz, O., Special —Rev. G. W. Bally will soon leave for conference. It is desired by the members of Simpson M. E. church that he be returned for another year. Rev. Fox, of the A. M. E. church, preached two able sermons last Sunday. Mrs. Nancy Williams is very ill. Rev. G. N. Johnson and company gave a jubilee concert on the 8th inst. Miss Girty Cooper is to be married soon. Rev. C. W. Carter has charge of the First Baptist church in the absence of the pastor.

Were Joined in Wedlock.

Elyria, O., Special.—N. F. Leach has removed to Lorain. Hon. H. C. Smith, editor of the Cleveland Gazette, was in town last week to see C. W. Cordan, who is ill. The concert given at the Second M. E. church was a success. C. M. Mitchell was called to Richmond, Ind., on account of the death of his niece. Harvey Johnson, of this city, and Miss F. Jessie, of Erie, Pa., were married at Cleveland, O., on the 27th ult. Thos. Kidd, of Lorain, visited his mother in this city last week. Miss Anna Bardwell, of Cleveland, is visiting Mrs. Wesley Davis.

Has Received a Patent.

Lorain, O., Special.—Joseph Randolph, of Fourteenth avenue, received a patent on his combined scrub-brush and mop. Rev. S. R. Marsell, of Baltimore, Md., preached an excellent sermon at the Second M. E. church Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Coleman are all smiles. It is a boy. Mr. Corbin, of Davenport, Ia., who has been visiting in the city, has returned home. Rev. J. T. Leggett baptised six children for Mr. and Mrs. A. Carmon last Sunday. A concert will be given at the Second M. E. church by the students of Oberlin college, on the 22d inst. Rev. Leggett is preparing for conference, which convenes in Cincinnati on the 27th inst. Mrs. Alice Randolph, of Fourteenth avenue, is very sick.

Modest, Moderate Musings.

Moberly, Mo., Special.—Mrs. J. W. Wiette, who has been ill, is much improved Harry Cooper has opened a fine barber shop at 507 W. Coat street. George Carr has opened a restaurant and rooming house at 513 Sturgeon street. Jeff Fort has bought a lovely home in West Moberly. The cornet band will soon be ready for engagements.

News, Social and Otherwise.

Mineola, Tex., Special.—The most of the farmers are beginning to plow. Sandy Anderson visited in Hainesville last week. W. M. Mallory has a good farm and fine stock. Miss Bessie White is in Dallas. Mrs. Lucy Mead has been very ill. Prof. G. L. Brooks is in Wells Point, Tex.

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E. C. Holland, headwaiter at the Clarendon hotel, Zanesville, Ohio, has demonstrated that he is a first class dining room general since going to the above house Mr. Holland has been in the above position for nearly two years, and is well liked by the guests, employer and his crew of waiters. We wish Mr. Holland continued success.

Chef John Galloway of the Clarendon, Zanesville, Ohio, has made a great record at the Clarendon, which is one of the finest hotels in the State. Mr. Galloway has been chef at the Clarendon for nearly three years and is now a permanent fixture. The hotel has changed hands three times since Mr. Galloway has been chef. Mr. Galloway formerly lived in Rockford, Ill., where he married Miss Bertha Williams.

J. J. Miles, headwaiter at the Plankinton house, Milwaukee, Wis., enjoys the distinction of being the only headwaiter in the United States whose picture appeared on the Ohristmas bill-of-fare in the hotel where he is engaged. Mr. Miles occupied a most conspicuous place on the Plankinton bill—in the attitude of saluting the guests as they entered the room.

Taylor E. Stone, well-known in Montgomery and Birmingham, Ala., also Chicago, Ill., and Dallas, Texas, is now living in San Antonio, Texas, where he married one of the leading society belles. Mr. Stone sends regards to all the boys down the line, and would be more than pleased to hear from "Alley" Grimes.

We have just learned of the death of William Ray, a well known waiter in Chicago, Rockford, Ill., Dallas, Texas, Denver, Col. In 1896 Mr. Ray left Chicago and went to Dallas, Tex., later he went to Denver, Col., after which all trace of him was lost, and it is with much sorrow that we learn of his death which occurred more than a year ago.

William Mitchell of Mississippi, who opened up the Hot Sulphur hotel at San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 26, got into an altercation with one of his waiters recently. Mr. Mitchell drew his gun, but, not being a native of Texas, did not know how to use it, and as a result the waiter sent in a few right swings and left upper cuts in true pugilistic style, and Mr. Mitchell was counted out in the first round. In this case the "man behind the gun" did not win.

Each day we receive reports that indicate that the incompetent headwaiter is still very much in evidence. Thus the great work of the head and second waiters association is yet unfinished. Is the progressive headwaiters asleep? Why this apathy? What are you doing to better the condition of the profession? Are you one of those egotistic fellows that is all for yourself and against every one else? These are a few important questions that we rise to ask our beloved brothers. Who will answer?

The colored waiters of the country will no doubt be glad when his Royal Highness, Prince Henry, returns home, as he has caused the stock of the German waiters to go up.

When the average colored waiter learns self-respect and deport himself more gentlemanly, receive and serve orders more correctly and obey his superior officers more readily, then they can point with pride to their much boasted progress.

Judging from the newspaper reports the waiters and other hotel employes of Philadelphia are awaking to the necessity of organizing. That is right, boys, fall in line; there is strength in union.

Capt. Thos. H. Frazier is, as usual, giving general satisfaction at the Chittenden hotel, Columbus, Ohio, and can stay there as long as he desires. Mr. Frazier is one of the few headwaiters that knows how to please.

We have important news for Mr. E. Henry Blount, a waiter. Last heard of was at 2922 Calumet avenue, Chicago, in 1896. Any one knowing the whereabouts of Mr. Blount will please notify the editor of this department as we have valuable information for him.

Messrs. Horace Birdsall and C. B. Miller have bought out the St. James hotel, Davenport, Iowa. Mr. Birdsall was formerly one of the proprietors of the St. James and Mr. Miller proprietor of the Geneseo house, Geneseo, Ill.

H. T. Barnett, formerly of the Del Prado, Chicago, now of the Westminister, Los Angeles, Cal., reports that every hotel in Los Angeles is crowded.

The Evans house, 205 St. Michael street, Mobile, Ala., is one of the few faultless hotels run by a Negro for Negroes The place is beautifully lighted by electricity with hot and cold baths. All accommodations are modern and up-to-date.

Negro Gets Fortune---White Woman Leaves Estate to Former Pullman Porter.

George W. Thurston, colored, a former Pullman car porter, will receive the greater part of the estate of Mrs. Eliza Jane Evans, white, valued at from $75,000 to $100,000. Mrs. Evans' will, which was contested by her divorced husband and relatives, has been admitted to probate by Surrogate Fitzgerald.

"Thurston," the surrogate said, "seems to have been the only one to whom she clung during the latter years of her life. When she had been forsaken by her relatives he cared for her and did what he could to administer to her comfort and alleviate her condition."

Mrs. Evans was only 47 years old when she died on March 18, 1900. She made many minor bequests and left the bulk of her estate to Thurston

It will be remembered that an account of the above appeared in these columns at the time of Mrs. Evans' death. We are pleased to note the ruling of the court which decides in favor of Mr. Thurston, the Pullman porter, and against the husband of Mrs. Evans and other relatives who contested the will.

The white waiters union has been on a strike for four weeks in Salt Lake City restaurants and cafes. I have been watching results very carefully. I could place colored crews in some of them if they were out here. I have promised the proprietors and managers I would give them all the assistance I can with my crew. Everything is running colored waiters here, and all running smoothly and nice. The managers and proprietors that have colored help are laughing up their sleeves. The new Elk's club that opens up here May 1st will have colored help. Colored bell boys have taken the place of white boys at the Alamo, Colorado Springs, Col.

It has been reported that a $100 per plate dinner was tendered Prince Henry by the Germania Club of Chicago during his visit there.

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There are some persons who believe that there is no truth to be gained from consulting a Medium, but such beliefs are contrary to the truth. It is only from the lack of discrimination that such a conclusion can be reached. It is not everyone who placards himself or herself as a Medium that can stand a test of what he or she claims. And a person of any enquiring mind may ask the reason why. It is simply that these advisers do not take the trouble to study human nature. They do not spend their thoughts for a moment with acquiring the art of phrenology and kindred branches that will have a tendency to make the pathway to the road of the business clear and devoid of obstacles.

It is an undeniable fact that persons will come for advice—in full knowledge of what they want to know, and yet as soon as they confront a Medium they try their utmost endeavor to dispel from their minds what they know so as to hear if it will be rehearsed by the Medium. To get the secret out of a person by "pumping," in no few cases, is the art used by many unprincipaled Mediums, but to take hold of the hand and gain control of the mind thereby, is a matter of impossibility to most of them. And yet this can be done, and by consulting MRS. MARTH this seeming mystery becomes a realization.

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Or bark or bite—
A simple invertebrate,
Flat on a plate.
And yet,
You bet
He's a terrific power
At midnight's gloomy hour.
And when you eat him
Nothing can beat him.
Great swat!
We should say not.
By the Big Horn Spoon.
As soon
As he gets good and down, where
He can stretch himself and square
Off for business,
He becomes a really and truly
Agatherium ichthyosaurus—
His scales, with carpet tacks
For nails;
Ablesiosaurus, with a boat hook
For a snout, to grab inside things with;
A mastodon behemoth,
With the hair growing the wrong way;
A royal Bengal tiger,
All claws and a lashing tail
A fish hooks;
A roaring Numidian lion.
With a wire mane a mile long
And a wild desire
To pull down all your interior decorations;
And bull terrier
Looking for trouble;
A butting billy goat
Built to buck your centre;
A cantankerous catamount.
With the fur rubbed the wrong way;
A desolating dinosaurus,
Dingdonging at your duodedum;
Seven kinds of Kilkenny cats
Strung on your median line
By their puffy tails;
A howling hyena
Pawing up your pyloric;
A jangling jackal
Looping the loop
Of your innermost anatomy;
A devilish discobolus—
But why enumerate
The various forms of hideous beasts
He takes to show
The gaits he can go?
Dern his skin,
When he gets in-
Side of a man
The whole plan
Of creation is upset,
But he doesn't fret;
He lets you do that,
And, my scat!
Don't you do it?
Oh, say,
There is nothing on earth to-day
As two sided as a Welsh rabbit;
Outside he is heaven,
But inside—
Well,
He is h-o-t stuff.

B. SQUARE'S BLUSTER

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Ben Tillman, Washington, D. C.—"Don't you care Ben, if you were barred out. The dinner was too cold for you, anyway and not fit for some folks to eat that is to say too good, and the company too good. 2nd. Yes Bennie, You are right when you say:

"The President, of course, has the right to invite any one he chooses to dine with him, officially or otherwise and so has the right to withdraw such an invitation."

We are glad that you have been suddenly converted to this belief although we do not, as a rule, put any faith in sudden conversions.

3rd. Yes, there will be other dinners of note. There will be one continued in fact endless dinner to which you will sit where you will not be bothered by the company of President Roosevelt or Prof. Booker T. Washington, or any other person not in your class. It will be held in the "other end" of hereafter and your host will make it warm for you. In fact you will find everything "hot stuff."

J. Jonas Scorchem, Esq., New York City · No, we have not seen President Roosevelt walking the streets of Greater New York trying to dispose of any express package marked "A plum for the most distinguished Afro-American Republican of New York or New Jersey. We think you have been misinformed or it may be a premature "April Fool" joke of Dame Rumor's.

United States Presidents in general and Republican ones in particular, do not carry in stock a very large amount of "snaps" or "plums" for Negro Americans, not because there is not a "great demand" for said "snaps" and "plums" for they could dispose of thousands. They say that nothing politically is thereby gained and very little lost. See? If we should see the package floating down the East river and could fish it out, after we have taken it home and examined its contents; if they do not suit our taste, we will forward the same to you, C. O. D.

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WOULDN'T IT SURPRISE YOU

If Pres. Roosevelt remove all the white democratic postmasters in the South and appoint loyal colored Republicans in their places?

If our people as a whole would patronize stores kept by members of their own race, instead of dealing at stores kept by white people?

If we should pull to-gether in common interests?

If our people should give the proper support to colored newspapers?

If, in the near future we had twelve colored Congressman from the South?

If Ben Tillman turn out to be a statesman and gentleman?

If your neighbor stopped borrowing your Freeman and subscribed?

B. SQUARE.

QUEEN CITY.

Church Rally--Exonerated by Biased Jury--Sudden Death--Society.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Special.—Rally services were held on Sunday, March 9, at Carmel Presbyterian church. The program was as follows: 11 a. m., sermon by Dr. Andrew Dehart; 2:30 p. m., Sunday-school—addresses by Prof. J. P. Cummins and L. H. Blakemore; 7:15 p. m., song services, J. S. Sandipher; 8 p. m., sermon by Dr. David S. Shaff. The choirs of the Union and Bethel Baptist churches and Allen Temple were invited to assist in the music. Rev. J. E. Harper, pastor. Rev. H. H. Harris, A. M., of Zion Baptist church gave a grand stereopticon view and lecture on Pilgrim's Progress on Sunday evening. Policeman Shaffer, who was indicted for the murder of Chas. Crutchfield, colored, was exhonorated by a biased court and jury on Tuesday, Feb 25th. Mrs. Mary J. Johnson, 573 W. Sixth street, is getting better. Mr. Stephen Porter, for many years a resident of this city and a member of the Zion Baptist church, departed this life on Thursday, Feb. 20. His remains were taken to Georgetown, Ky. The funeral of Mr. Edward Ewing, the young man who dropped dead last Wednesday night, took place from the Ninth Street M. E. church, of which he was an official for several years, Rev. Purnell, the pastor, officiating. Sir Knights A. Lewis, J. Payne, Mayes and others of Tabor Lodge attended the funeral of Grand Master Clark at Columbus, Ohio, on Wednesday, Feb. 25. Mrs. Winfree, 554 Carlisle ave., is seriously ill. Mrs. Knox of Norwood, O., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mary J. Johnson, 573 W. Sixth street. Mrs. Crittenden, 564 Carlisle ave., is improving. The revival at the Union Baptist church is growing in interest. Mrs. Molly Cook has removed from 82 Avery street to 835 Clark street, where she will be pleased to see her many friends. Miss Grace Hart of Chicago, formerly of this city, is visiting Miss Alice Grandison. Mr. Wm. B. Showers of Lexington, Ky., and Miss Mary Bates of Columbus, Ohio, were made one on Thursday evening at Odd Fellows' hall, W. Sixth street near Central ave. It was a grand affair. Rev. D. C. Williams officiated. Any one visiting this city desiring a first class place to stop will do well to call at the Hotel Bee and restaurant, Edward Berry proprietor. For any of the colored journals call at or address H. B. Brooks, 1025 John street. The Freeman a specialty. The Rose of Sharon Lodge, K. and L. of H., very recently organized with Mrs. M. M. Streets of 818 W. 8th street and Mrs. Huey of Walnut Hills at its head is growing rapidly.

Prof. W. H. Council
Fayetteville, N. C.

Mr. Editor.

Dear Sir:—After reading some adverse criticism of Prof. W. H. Council by several of the race leaders it was the rare pleasure of many citizens of Fayetteville of both races to hear him for himself, Sunday, Feb., 2, at the Metropolitan, A. M. E. Zion church and in justice to the truth, it is but fair to say he is a great man, bold, fearless and of indomitable will power.

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A TIME FOR SOBER THOUGHT.

The National Advocate, an organ of the colored race, published in New Orleans, with Joseph E Porter as editor, in its last issue of March 8th gave voice to the following admirable article:

TO THE AMERICAN CONGRESSMEN WHOM WE HAVE ALWAYS CONSIDERED FRIENDS OF OUR RACE.

The colored people of this State ask for no especial favor regardless of the fidelity of the Party, but we cannot remain silent in the face of the agitation relative to the tariff.

We cannot find adequate language at our command to condemn the policy advanced by an element of people in this country to reduce the Tariff on Cuban sugar. It is with abhorence that we refer to the question under discussion; but, as a fatal blow is to be struck at the sugar industry of this country, we feel duty bound to challenge the attitude of those who profess more love for an alien people than the people at home.

The Cubans owe the American people a debt of gratitude. Let them demonstrate the fact that the many sacrifices made by the American people are appreciated. Then in tha future if they need our assistance, we will only be too glad to aid them. Judging from a statement made by the President of the Sugar Trust which company controls a large portion of the Cuban sugar, the class of National legislation asked for at the hands of Congress will not benefit the individual planter in Cuba, but will put $14,000,000 in the coffers of the Trust.

The colored people of the United States are entitled to the consideration of every Republican Congressman. Many of the Federal offices created and controlled by Republicans are the result of the colored vote of this country in such States as New York, Ohio, Iowa, Indiana, Illinois and other Northern States, it is an undeniable fact that in all the National elections held since the adoption of the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments the Negro vote has been instrumental in placing the Republican party in power, and without the Negro vote Mr. Bryan would have been elected, but the States of Ohio, New York and Illinois were carried by the Republican party, and the Negroes secured these States for the party. It is the united voice of that race that is appealing to the Congress of the Nation not to place any impediment in the way of progress of any industry of which 300,000 black men and women are the chief cultivators We want the congressmen of the North, West and East to tell the colored people next fall that they resented the attempt made in Congress to reduce the tariff on the Cuban sugar. They did it for the sake of the Negroes of the South, who would be miserable in the event of the destruction of the industry.

We are impressed that the agitation relative to the deduction tariff of the Cuban sugar has not reached the people of Louisiana. They should come out and express our sentiment on that issue. There is not a State in the Union that would remain silent in the face of their industries thus about to be destroyed Whenever the Congress of the Nation attempts to retard the industries of the East and of the West by act of legislature, the people of these sections unite themselves in order to preserve the integrity of their industries. The cotton planter might say, that it is not my industry, it matters not whether it is protected by the government We wish to convey to every man that the destruction of the sugar industry in Louisiana would reduce the business of the State in all its departments.

The men whom Providence has directed to till the soil would suffer, the merchants would suffer, the dry goods merchant would lose forty per cent of his trade, the broker, who advance the sinew of war to run the plantations, that haul the sugar from the refinery to the steamboats, that plows the Teche and hauls the sugar. Ah! Louisiana, it was necessary in ancient Rome for Cicero, the greatest orator Rome ever produced, to appeal to the Roman people to expel Carline from the Roman empire, In one of his appeals he said, if Carline is allowed to remain in Rome the streets of her city will run with the blood of its citizens.

Thus we wish to emphasize on the impulse of reason that, should the policy advanced by the Cuban sympathizer, if consummated, it will impoverish our home, our fireside. Not to let the sugar trust place its encroachment on the sugar industry in the name of charity. It is useless for us to state here what the American people have achieved for Cuba. The world can bear testimony of the sacrifice the people of the country have made.

Let the Cubans look to some other nation for help. What explanation could any of the American statesmen give should any vote in the Congress of the United States to reduce 25 per cent of the Dingley bill to help Cuba. Ah! Charity! What outrage would thou commit in the name of charity should Congress make any concession to Cuba on the tariff. If the Trusts are to control the destiny of the nation and regulate the price of sugar, the time is not far distant when it will control the sugar of Cuba and make it impossible for the American producers to continue to cultivate a staple of which over one hundred and twenty millions of dollars are invested in the industry It is almost beyond the human understanding to a large average of American citizens active in the interest of the Cubans to the injury of the Home producers Every school boy in the land knows that the sugar industry cannot exist without the strong arm of protection of the National Government. If all Republicans are ungrateful, it is to be hoped, that it will not be the case in this instance, because the sugar industry of the country yields $100,000,000 annually to the American people.

We have pronounced the article an admirable one because every word of it is true, and because the truths are so simply told that they appeal to every proper sense of the party and of the individual. There is no one sound argument that can be advanced against the statements therein contained; there is an abundance of reasons why the appeal should be harkened to.

Who can deny that the result of the colored vote in the States named, New York, Ohio, Iowa, Indiana and Illinois, was largely instrumental in determining the success of National elections in favor of the Republican party? Who will deny that to disaffect that vote would be the very essence of folly?

Will the men who advocate this proposed reduction of tariff on Cuban sugars' pretend that in so doing any party principle is upheld? On the contrary, is it not a direct attack thereon? And so, when we asserted in our issue of March 1st that the Negro vote of other states would be cast in the defense of the colored people of Louisiana, we knew that while we would be still fighting in a just and righteous cause. We will not see the Negroes of Louisiana deprived of their means of livelihood, their homes broken up, themselves beggared, without spreading in the widest form we know the warning that all may see.

It has been shown, beyond a doubt, that all this discussion and dissension have been the result of an effort, ostensibly to aid the Cuban, but clearly to enrich others. The Sugar Trust will be the leading beneficiary, but so closely allied are certain interests, that under that cover various enterprises are hid, which will likewise reap of the harvest. From a telegram emanating from Washington, and published in the press, one of these concerns appears to be the Cuba company, otherwise known as the Whitney-Van Horne syndicate, having most intimate financial relations with the Morton Trust Company in the directorate of which we find among other names that of Elihu Root, our own Secretary of War, and who is one of the most aggressive in the fight for aid to Cuba. If this press dispatch be false it is due to Mr. Root that the statement be at once so characterized, and none will be more prompt to so state the fact than The Freeman; but if it be true then the American people should know what interests are urging this generosity to Cuba and what interests are concerned in its successful issue.

The time has now come for prompt and decided action, and we appeal to every Republican Congressman to stand by his party's principles so often and so clearly expresed. We appeal to them not to forget the stirring words of the platform of the Republican party adopted at St. Louis, June 18, 1896: "Protection for sugar growers."

We condemn the present administration for not keeping faith with the sugar producers of this country. The Republican party favors such protection as will lead to the production on American soil all the sugar which the American people use, and for which they pay other countries more than $100,000,000 annually.

THE LITERARY.

The old time literary societies that used to be a part of every church were not such bad institutions after all. They did very much to maintain the thirst for knowledge which began in the schools. Necessity, they say, is the mother of invention, but in this matter there seems to be a notable exception. At this time outside of the schools proper there is no literary spirit among us. There is plenty of fiddling and dancing and all that, which is all right until it becomes the whole of life. The fable of the ant and the grasshopper will be remembered. There will come a time when the resources will be drawn on for knowledge and information that will not be found between the lids of any limited set of text books—then what?

The literary in the past had a tendency to keep alive the thirst for knowledge. The public library was a familiar haunt—the result of the spirit. The public library has not been supplanted by the private library as the book stores will attest. Outside of the school proper books have become an irridescent dream. Its back to "me hog and hominy" What will we do with it? in the language of Bulwer Lytton?

It's not the old story of the past age being more golden than the present, "and the pies that mother made" and such like. Imagination plays no part in this matter. There is but one literary society in the city where the public may go. It is of recent origin and suffers from the lack of appreciation—its the people. They are getting away from the things that save. It should not be the duty to inaugurate little sets and factions imbued with that pharisaical notion of; "holier than thou" The kingdom of the here and the hereafter will be made up from the many, at least it should be. The hope of salvation of Republics is the public schools It is here the many are concerned and not the elect unless all be the elect. The same principle will hold good in the life after school. The colored man and woman need restraining influences such as noted among the race around us. The literary society is a fair substitute for the school in furthering its designs The interchange of thought. The philosophy of the wise, the wisdom of the ages, the past action of the world, of great individuals are moral tonics that cheer, but does not inebriate. What will we do with it?

HON. L. M. MITCHELL,
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THE HAND OF MRS. IDA.

Smarting under the criticism dealt the Chicago Conservator, owing to its down right savagery towards Mr. Councill and other men of note, has been spewing forth venom for weeks. Nothing is sacred. It is in accord with a too hurtful characteristic of the race which insists on pulling down "its betters."

The hand of Ida-Wells Barnett is in all of this and the country knows what that means. She is a woman who at one time had the utmost respect of the country owing to the supposed justness of her cause. After she fled her Tennessee troubles the attention paid her had the effect of setting her up in her own mind, as the uncrowned queen of the Negroes of America. She became, as she saw it, ex-Cathedra in her opinions and expressions, boldly insisting that Negro men had not sufficient intellectual fibre or courage to shape thought or mould opinions for the race. She may be right, but the men have not by any means considered the advisability of abdicating in her favor; hence the venom that is spewed periodically forth from that sheet.

The men were right in not giving up to Mrs. Barnett. These late outbursts of temper are but conclusive proof of what was suspected in the beginning. Here follows some of her comment:

In its advice to the Conservator as to how to stop vexing and exposing such time-serving, fawning race "leaders" as Prof. Councill, the Hon. George L. Knox and Charlie Stewart, who pretend to believe that all the virtue and excellency worth having are in the white race, the Indianapolis Freeman says:

If the Conservator will be guided by the white press it will never see what it has been guilty of. It may be above such a criterion, yet it will serve a safe guide for our struggling journals, and which will do the Conservator good to note

But the Conservator will not follow the guide of the white press. That press stands convicted to-day of being responsible for more than three-fourths of the mob violence and lynchings in this country; that press knowingly states that Negroes are lynched for outraging white women when they are lynched only for some petty crime; that press will turn the world upside down when mob violence breaks out abroad, and will fly to the defense of the outraged in Europe Asia and Africa, and will not even offer a protest against burning and lynching of American citizens, nor raise its voice against a mob of citizens shooting down a postmaster if he be a Negro. No, we will not follow the guide of the white press.

What press will she follow? Pray tell. If the white press recognized Mrs. Barnett as the leader of the race, her defeated ambition, it would be the plain and unmistakable duty of the white press to make her words true. It would be its duty if it wanted to be as venomous as the Conservator. But we doubt very much whether the white press could under any circumstances be forced to prove Mrs Barnett's proposition?

To the white press now, as before the war, we owe our salvation, not a universal white press, to be true, before the war, but a white press only. We would not for a moment repudiate the excellent work performed by these great mediums. The white press invoked the civil war! The press is more powerful than armed batallions. We will not count the few that have always sought to put the Negroes to a disadvantage.

The Southern wing of the white press, the great majority of it, often deplores the very conditions set forth by Mrs. Ida. She seems to be short on that kind of observation and long on the other. We trust that the white press of the country generally, acknowledging the few exceptions, will not take this woman too seriously.

"Die when I may, I want it said of me by those who know me best that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow."—From a private letter to Speed

The above very touching quotation found in that excellent journal, the Christian Register, the prelude to some beautiful verses portraying the life and character of that illustrious individual, Abraham Lincoln, is very much akin to religion, if not religion's self. Man needs but little more to fit him either for the here or the hereafter. To give a kiss for a blow is a frightful proposition as the world sees it, but the exchange is often made and oftimes where it is least expected. As man is constituted, to plant flowers in the place of thistles will find small place in his creed, but to plant thistle for thistle can surely be avoided, and after all the failing to plant a thistle will be in effect to plant a rose To love thy enemy is an extreme injunction. Most men will not carry it out even at the point of the sword, but to impede not your enemy finds lodgement in the human heart.

Mr. Ralph W. Tyler of the staff of the Columbus Daily Dispatch has been associated in the preparation of the work entitled "Encyclopedia of A. M. E. Ministers." This work, it is claimed, will show beyond a question of a doubt that the A. M. E. ministry has exerted a more powerful influence in the upbuilding of the race, in the last quarter of a century, than all other forces or denominations combined Mr. Tyler's long experience on Ohio's leading evening daily fits him for the work. As no one connected with the preparation of the work is connected with the A. M. E. church there can be no claim of especial favoritism for the A. M. E church.

"Jack, the hugger," who has been hugging some of our good looking young colored women of this city, is very discriminating in his selections. Nothing further has been reported of him other than that he has given his victims a good sound hugging and a parting kiss. Of course promiscuous kissing is bad enough, but think of being kissed by a horrid, strange man, especially when he is not even known to be good looking. It is just too awful to think about.

Rev. D. P. Roberts, of St. Louis, is said to be a candidate for Commissioner General of the Negro exhibit at the proposed exposition. Dr. Roberts is a highly qualified man, and if he suits the Missourians he is entitled to their support.

T. Thomas Fortune seems to have the support of the Negro press for the ministership to Hayti. If he can only get his senators and the president he will be all right.

The March number of the Handicraft, published by the Arkansas Baptist College at Little Rock, is well filled with choice reading matter.

The Negro.

Editor Freeman: As I learn that a great many Negroes are leaving the South and coming North I would advise you to warn the Southern Negroes about going to such places as New York City, Chicago, Philadelphia and St. Louis expecting to find work. In these four cities there is no demand for outside labor of any kind, either white or black, and for a Negro to leave the South and go to any one of these places expecting to find a demand for labor he will be doing something very foolish. If he goes North let him go to some of the smaller places, but keep out of these four great commercial centers unless he has money enough to keep himself for about six months, and is willing to do any kind of work that comes to hand—A. R. M.

PITTSBURG, PA., March 8, 1902.

Editor Freeman—To day was the first time I had the opportunity to peruse The Freeman, and I must say, beyond the shadow of a doubt, its cosmopolitan columns were indeed interesting. The cosmopolitan character especially endears it to the hearts as well as to the firesides of the race. Its editorials are not only edifying from a literary view point, but also effulgent with philosophy.—Pittsburg Spectator.

The Colored Harvest, Editor's number is a bright looking publication. It is filled with choice reading matter.

HAPPENINGS IN OLD KENTUCKY.

Young People Social Club Entertains Royally—A Whirl in Society—A General Gleaning of News—A Great Number Sick, Etc.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

The second annual ball of the Teamsters' Union was celebrated at Odd Fellows' hall on the 3d inst. Like its predecessor, it was both refined and up to the times. Mr. Dennis Lovings, the president of the Union, and Messrs Lige and Floyd Pulliam, Ben Boyd and Henry Reeves, the committee on arrangements, deserve credit and also the thanks of the attending public for their excellent management. Misses Georgia Sherrell and Carrie Stanfield will become St. Louisians March 20. Charles Leverton, the well-known barber, is in the city again. Read The Freeman and become wise. Mr and Mrs. John Winfrey of South Eighth street are the glad parents of a 11-pound baby girl. Frank Mitchell of Warton addition, who was seriously injured a short time since, is improving. Call at the Cottage Grove saloon, Marshall & Winfrey proprietors, for the best and choicest liquors, wines and cigars. Lunch served daily. Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Marable of S. Eighth street a baby girl. Mrs Danny Trimble, 1239 N. 12th, after a lengthy illness, is able to be out again. James D. Smith is very sick with la grippe. Miss Rubie Robinson, S. 8th street, Miss Mohala Reed, Harris street, and Mrs. Ellen Davis, Harris street, are very ill Mrs. Laura Ray Alexander, queen of the H. W.'s, is staring a five weeks' engagement at the Logamarsino German Village, corner 2d and Jefferson streets. Mr. "J. C." I can't work for less than fifteen dollars per week. See. Miss Annie is happy. Bert's clothes have drifted back home. Hold to him; he's as slippery as an eel. George Wood of McChanicsburg left for St. Louis on the 6th to reside. Mrs. Mattie Christy will on March 20, at her residence, entertain the Living Vine club. All members invited. If you are hungry call at Jas. Arrington's cafe and ice cream parlors on Harrison street. Gregory Roberts of Campbell street carries a full line of staple and fancy groceries. Mrs. Conrad Boyd returned home on the 8th from a visit to her parents in Princeton. A. W. Sanders of Portsmouth, Ohio, is visiting his brother, F. K. Sanders, on Washington street. Jones' orchestra will give a grand reception at Odd Fellows' hall on the 20th. Mrs Josie Dickinson, after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs Lucy Dickinson, returned to Hopkinsville, her home, on the 5th. Prof. Hillman's orchestra will pay their annual respects to Cairo on the 20th. One dollar round trip. Conrad Boyd paid Princeton a flying visit last Sunday. Mrs. Andrew Smith of Harrison street is on the sick list. J. W. Moore, dealer in staple and fancy groceries, deserves your patronage. Free delivery to all parts of the city. The Odd Fellows' hall was, on the 6th inst., transformed from a plain dancing pavillion to a beautiful Arabian parlor, in which the illumination and decorations were red, white and blue interspersed with a beautiful display of American flags. Turkish divans, venitian porterres, moquette rugs and Irish point lace curtains, together with fragrant hot house plants, certainly completed a picture long to be remembered by the honored guests of the Young Peoples' Social Club. Walter Williams, who departed this life on the 8th inst, was beloved by all. The deceased leaves besides a wife a mother, father, two brothers, a sister and a host of friends. Before death overtook him he expressed his willingness to go, requesting the beloved wife and parents to meet him in Glory. Funeral from Burk's chapel on the 9th. Interment Oak Grove Cemetery.

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News of a General Character.

Shelbyville, Ind., Special.—Sam Robertson returned last Friday from New York. Mrs. A. A. Goins, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Tellus Carter, has returned to her home in Richmond. Miss Gertie Morgan, who has been sick, is much improved. Miss Henrietta Dudley is convalescing. Miss Henrietta Carr, of Franklin, is visiting Mrs. Robert Yates. The A. M. E. church gave a rally last Sunday for the benefit of the pastor. Rev. Leonard preached an able sermon in the afternoon. They raised $35. Club No. 1 of the Second Baptist church, will give a musical romance at the home of Mrs. Leonard on the 18th inst. An admission of 10 cents will be charged. The Shelbyville Marine band will be organized next week. The wedding bells will soon be ringing among some of our young people. Guess who it is?

Juicy, Jarring Jotting.

Springfield, Ill, Special.—The colored people went solid for Brainerd for sheriff, and he was nominated. The Culture club had a good program for last Sunday. Judge Bird delivered an able address at St. John Lyceum last Tuesday night. Mr. Bailey, of the Leland cafe, addressed the Literary society at St. John church in a very creditable manner recently. E. L. Rogers is agent for the "History of the Colored Soldier in the Spanish-American War," price $1.25. Read The Freeman, for sale at Lee's, Thompson's Bro.'s grocery and Leland hotel, E. L. Rogers, agent.

Has Cleared the Church Debt.

Kenton, O., Special.—Rev. Ford, pastor of the A. M. E. church, is a hard worker and has succeeded in clearing off the church debt. The church has been in debt for thirty years. The Household of Ruth No. 1063 had a "goat riding" at their hall last Tuesday night. A good time is reported. Prof. M. W. Daniels, the bass soloist, will start on a concert tour on the 26th and ending on the 31st. Mrs. Chas. Augusta and daughter and the little son of Mrs. Lydia Hawkins are on the sick list. Be prepared when the agent calls.

News Notes.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—Miss Gertrude Dew of Ypsilanti is visiting Miss Lillian Brooks. Chas. Harrison of Flint is visiting his parents. Rev. Bowren of Jackson occupied the Lansing A. M. E. church pulpit last Sunday. Miss Bertha Harrison entertained a few of her young friends Thursday evening. The occasion being her 18th birthday. The First Anniversary of the Ladies Home Circle will be held at the A. M. E. church Thursday March 20.

Social and General Notes.

Beaumont, Texas, Special.—Miss M. Lula Brown made her debut in society with the Merry Twelves. Amon the many friends and admirers was one W. A. Jones, formerly of the Island city, who had the honor of the escort. Miss Coddie Scott, of Benham, is visiting the oil city. Last week, Mr. James Perkins and Mrs Lillie Davis were united in marriage. Mrs. Emma Brinkley is erecting a two story business house on Famin street. Last Monday night a bouncing baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Eddy. Mother and child are well. Prof. Sullivan an old member of Sam T. Jack's Creole company sends regards to all. Address him at Beaumont, Texas.

Gillespie and Chapin's new ballad hit "You'll Be Happy If I Go" has already demonstrated its great chance for future success. The rendition of this song by the Orphens Quartette is redemanded at ever performance.

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'LADY AFRICA."—Chicago, Ill., March, 15-22.

RUSCO & HOLLAND'S Minstrel—Washington, 17; Seymour, 18; Franklin 19; Frankfort 20;

RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S FAMOUS GEORGIAS. cGregor, Iowa, March 10; Waukon Wis., 11 Winona, Minn, 15. (Closed for two weeks.)

SLAYTON JUBILEE SINGERS.—Fairfax Minn., March 10; Blue Earth 13; Peoria, Ill., 20.

THE GREAT MCKANLASS CO.—Lethbridge, N. W. T. March, 1. Nelson B. C. 10; Kaslo 11; Slocan City, 15.

W. I. SWAIN'S ORIGINAL NASHVILLE STUDENTS, Waco, Texas March, 10-11; Shermon 15.

James Harris of Cincinnati, O., is now with Mahara's minstrel and will finish the season with them. Regards to all friends.

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Oscar Paul, Sam Lawyer, Harry Logan and Earl Bumford, comprising the Four-in Hand Quartette, Jr. were Freeman callers this week enroute to Cincinnati to fill an engagement.

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Woods and Moss,-Pete and Laura-high class singing and dancing artists have just returned from an eight week's trip over the Orpheum circuit in Honolulu and are now at the Orpheum, in San Francisco for two weeks with Los Angeles and the other Orpheum Theatres to follow. They send regards to the knockers.

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Fite and Wilson, the leading comedians of the Coontown Minstrel company are spending a few days in Nashville. Wilson is better known as the "Black Cat" and says he and Fite will clean things at the Charleston Exposition where they are now going. Best regards to Williams & Walker and all associates.

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Mr. Holland of the Rusco & Holland minstrel forces was a Freeman caller this week and announced the following principals in his roster of minstrels for this and next season: Comedians, Billy Kersands, Harry Fidler, Clarence Powell, Dick Thomas and Billy Miller; Singers, J. Ed. Green, Henry Troy, Ras Jones, Sidney Kirk, John Johson and Will Wood. Olio, LaShe, Simpson and Pittman, John Pamplin, Wilson Family Romando, Filipino magician, Reid and Johnson.

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The well-known minstrel, Billy McClain, who has been in Australia for the past three years, is home again in this city where his parents live. Mr. McClain has had rich, rare, varied experience in that far away country and in the many islands near. He speaks of the hospitality accorded him by all regardless of color. His theatrical career was highly successful as can be attested by his prosperity expressed in diamonds, the showman's delight, and other high class trappings incident to that kind of life. Mr. McClain measures his cash by the use of several figures in a row. He has never been prodigal in the expenditure of money beyond that lavished on jewelry of a nature easily convertible into money. Ernest Hogan, that other well known minstrel, has also been abroad with McClain. In the language of the stage they will team it. Mr. McClain will leave in a few days for New York to perfect arrangements to that end.

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Tom McIntosh writes from Chicago that he has closed with McCabe & Young's troupe which was stranded at Cass Lake, Minn., by the foxy Dan and has signod with W. S. Cleveland's Big Summer show. Reading of so many recent deaths of old time, poverty-stricken minstrels, McIntosh would advise all his old comrads to "lay by" a penny or two for the proverbial rainy day.

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Clarksville, Tenn., notes:—Wintry clouds having passed by, a prospective closing season is anticipated. Notwithstanding business lull and monetary crisis. Cogs of business on the go once more, farmers rushing in crops booked attractions for closing doubtless will make good. Management has played several attractionc from Nashville, Tenn. At Elder's Opera House, J. T. Wood, manager, 'For Love's Sake' played to a large audience on the 4th.

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Mamie Anderson of the well known team of Al and Mamie Anderson, sole owners of the big colored production, "Lady Africa," was quite ill at Omaha Neb., while playing the Orpheum Theatre, week of March, 3rd, from a severe cold contracted the previous week at Kansas City, Mo., but is improving so rapidly that she expects to resume her work soon. They are playing at Chicago this week.

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Johnson and Dean writing The Freeman from Paris France under date of February 24, tells of their encouraging success at the Folies Bergere. The following is a cable dispatch to the Chicago Record Herald from Berlin Germany: -'Ernst Hellman, one of Germany's foremost artists, has finished a life-size painting of Dora Dean, a handsome young Indianapolis colored woman, posed in a cake walk attitude. The picture will be hung in the spring exhibition of the German Academy. Miss Dean is the first colored woman to be honored with a sitting by a European artist. She with her husband, Chas. E Johnson, fulfilled a month's engagement in Berlin's leading vaudeville theatre and initiated the German public into the peculiar poetry and motion of the American "coon song."

The permanent address of Johnson & Dean is Nathan and Somers, 10 Henrietta, street, London England.

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Notes from the Alabama Warblers:—Everything is going well with the great McKanlass and the Alabama Warblers up here in N. W. T. and British Columbia, Canada. Every member of the company is well at present. Miss Patti McKanlass is making the hit of her life singing sweet ballads. Miss Lizzie Perry the Jewish Creole is singing classical selections and to the surprise of herself is considered the greatest singer that ever sang through Canada. The rest of the company are making good. McKanlass is considered the world's greatest violinist, sweet singer, warbler and most graceful dancer. We will be back in the States in May. Regards to all friends.

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Notes From Wm. Hallback, manager Grand Palace Theatre, Savannah Ga: "The theatre is being thoroughly remodeled according to the ideas of the manager and when completed will be one of the finest vaudeville houses in in the South, bar none. All parties playing this house have a circuit of 16 weeks as follows: Savannah Ga., Jacksonville and Tampa, Fla., Charleston, S. C.: and a direct line to New York, first class fare, $15. Others are small jumps. Regards to Chas. Hallback, James Lacy, H. S. Wooten, Clarence Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Kersands and the bunch of Georgia Minstrels, No. 1. P. S.—Say, C. P. how is the old P. K.? Pretty fair for the finger nails; I would like to have one blade, that's all. I am no knocker. See?

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Chas. H. Williams writes from the New Orleans minstrel:—The past two weeks have been big ones for this show. Standing room nightly; that's all. It has been given up that Mr. A. G. Allen our agent is one of the shrewdest in the business; our manager, Mr. Quine certainly knows a thing or two, therefore you can see that the show can't help but be a winner. This show has lived to see several that started since their time pass in their checks. At St. Augustine, members of the company bought souveniers of the oldest city in the United States. Several spent the afternoon at the Spanish fort and will never be able to tell all they saw and what they had explained to them was a treat. We are now in the state of Georgia, Valdosta being our first stand The Williams send regards to all friends both in and out of the profession. Hi H. Hunt sends regards to Webster Williams and Wm. Hallback.

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The Buckingham Theatre, Tampa, Fla., notes:—Business big, well pleased audiences and a par excellent vaudeville show makes our manager, Pat Chappelle smile. Ben Hunn has made a big hit down here as also have the Dodds-Elmore and Grace-the latter taking six encores on her opening night. The popularity of DeVine and Vaughn never wanes, Sam Foster, leader of the orchestra and band is daily congratulated for fine music. Payton and Harris still get theirs. Mae Fisher, soprano, always pleases; Carrie Smith, mezzo soprano is a hit. Clifford D. Brooks, vocalists and comedians. Son Payne comedian, Ada Harris and Laura Logan are all making good. John W. Dennis and Pauline Cottrill are underlined for next week. Minstrelsy and farce comedy is the offering this week and it is served in the proper mixture, worthy of Kieth's or Proctor's. Will Goff Kennedy who has been on the sick list is improved.

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Notes from the Black Patti Troubadours:—The show is heading to N. Y. and all season has been doing phenomenal business. Miss Muriel Ringgold joined the show in Kansas City. Miss Alberta McCarver joined in Salt Lake and proved herself very satisfactory. J. P. Reed the basso still handles his three octaves with purity and force. While playing in Denver, to S. R. O. all week, the Troubadours quartette, Messrs, Anthony Bird, James Worles, Chas. Bougiah and Reed, were stormed with singing and glad to say every one a man stood the bombardment without assistance. Misses Ida Forcen and Sarah Green suffered (?) a like experience while singing their duett entitled "Drowsy Babe." Miss Ida Butler has resigned to go to Honolulu for extended engagement. Many of the old Troubadours are writing to the manager for work. Whats the use to quit; "nothing doing." Maham Jones is singing with her same vigor. Miss Jeanette Murphy Green delights houses nightly singing from the boxes to Triplett and Rucker.

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J. Harry Jackson sends the following notes from the Greater New York: —Simpson and Pittman were in Philadelphia at the Grand Opera house last week.—The Crosbys-Lonnie and Reine-were at the Atlantic Garden, Sunday night, the 2nd inst. and made a creditable showing in a clever sketch. Goggin and Davis, acrobats have returned to the metropolis after spending several weeks visiting relatives in Chicago and Washington D, C. Both are pictures of good health and state that they will leave the States early in April to fill engagements across the pond—Jack Powell and his Pickanniny band of Indianapolis were a big card with the "In Old Kentucky" company at the Grand opera house last week. Billy Johnson was at the New York Theatre Sunday night-a hit.—Harry Brown, the clever singing comedian, made a tremendous hit at Keith's Union Square theatre, last week-in fact we learn that he did the same thing over the entire circuit.—James Robinson, of the Globe Comedy Four, is taking two and three encores nightly singing, "In the Valley of Old Kentucky."—The Cosmopolitan Four,-a quartette composed of two white and two colored vocalists were on the bill at the American Theatre Sunday night, the 2nd inst. Messrs. Joe Williams and Al Lightfoot are the two colored members.—Larkins and Patterson were at Keith's last week.—Williams & Walker with their big company of entertainers in the "Sons of Ham" appeared before large audiences at the Grand Opera House last week. Bob Cole, Avery and Hart, the Drummer Quartette and Billy Johnson were the colored acts at the New York Theatre Sunday night, the 2nd inst. The entertainment given Tuesday afternoon at the colored home was a grand success and pleased the inmates immensely. Miss Clara Newcomb sang, "My Creole Belle;" Thomas Fletcher was loudly applauded for singing the "Phrenologist Coon" and "My Carolina;" J. J. Smith, sang "Leader of the Ball; Miss Mamie Newcomb rendered, "My Susie," while Jesse Manley sang very pleasingly, the "Story of the Rose." W. H. Barnett, bass singer, who is an inmate of the home sang one of his old favorites, "The Armor's Song" from Robin Hood, and brought down the house; a sketch by Furber and Newcomb closed the program which was voted the best ever given at the home. Much credit is due Mr. Edward Furber for the success of the entertainment.

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Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrels:—We are now in the state of Illinois and doing a great business, but as the stain of the most heinous crime that was ever perpetrated upon a travelling organization and most especially an organization bearing the reputation this show has, we feel greatly humiliated and embarrassed and our reputation has gone forever. We do not think the state of Missouri can pay the damage it has done us, a body of innocent people, and it is well we were so clear of guilt. As luck would have it we have no one hear that carries a pistol and this mob found none on us but we had to suffer just the same. If we had shot one white man in New Madrid there would not be one of us left to tell the tale, but we certainly can be an attest now with our experience that Missouri is the greatest state in America and is the very place for the World's Fair and there should never be another. Now presuming that The Freeman would be interested in the cause of justice we hereby place the facts in detail just as they really happened. To begin with the sad affair, the show entered the town of New Madrid, Mo., on the morning of Feb. 15, and at 2.30 p. m. we gave a street parade and immediately after the parade, Louis Wright, the victim, accompanied by another member of the company were on their way to the opera house when they were struck with snowballs fired by some young men of the town. They asked them to discontinue and were greeted with insulting names followed by another volley of snowballs and it being a little slushy, naturally they could make them rather hard, that is hard enough to hurt a person if struck in the face or head; at any rate this last volley made Wright angry and he cursed them and continued on his way to the opera house. Well the resenting of the uncalled for insult (on the part of the white citizens) aroused the anger of the young men and it was talked from one to the other that afternoon that a nigger had dared curse a white man. They claim that their intentions were to take the nigger that night after the show and whip him for daring to assert his rights and resent an insult offered by a white man. That a nigger had no right in that town. At any rate the show went along without interference until the curtain went down at the end of the performance, then a crowd of men made a rush for the stage entrance that led from the auditorium, there being no stage entrance except a double door at the rear of the stage, used for loading and unloading baggage.

They claim that one of their young men received a scalp wound, but none of us saw the wound, and he came to the jail to try and identify the one that shot him, but failed to do so. They kept us standing up in a wet cell all Saturday night, and on Sunday we were taken out one by one to the court house, which was across the yard from the jail, to tell what we knew and who fired the shot, our jury being about thirty of the best citizens in the town, and when we were brought before this body of law-abiding citizens the sheriff, who ushered us into this hall of justice, told us in their presence that "I can't protect you niggers any longer, and you must tell who fired the shot; if not, I leave you to whatever fate these gentlemen may decide." Well, not a man in the company knew anything about a shot being fired by us, as we had seen no one fire a shot, and they failed to find a revolver or weapon of any kind among us, and we are very much of the opinion that the man (Hunter) received his scalp wound (if he received any) by one of his comrades during the excitement.

About the hour of midnight, Sunday, Feb. 16, one of these good citizens unlocked the door of the jail where we were and came to the cell and called Wright, telling him that court was still in session and wished to get his testimony. Now, this good citizen was not masked, and neither were the good citizens that met him down stairs.

They hanged this poor, unfortunate young man to a limb of a tree in front of a colored family's door, not far from the depot, and left him until Monday about 10 o'clock. Monday morning before they cut him down they even took the rings off his fingers; at any rate, they put him in a box with his clothes on just as he was, and shipped him to his mother, who lives at 3221 State street, Chicago. He was about 22 years old and a trombone player in our band. He was hanged because he dared to curse a white man, thereby resenting an insult. The evidence of two young white boys who claimed that Saturday afternoon at the Opera house, while Louis Wright was in his shirt sleeves, they saw the handle of a revolver in his pocket, is a malicious lie. This is a true and accurate account of the murderous affair. Not only Wright, but several other members of the company were shot and dangerously wounded.

A GEORGIA MINSTREL.

AFTER I. M'CORKER.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 26, '02.

To the Editor.

Sir:—Having glanced at a lengthy article in your paper of the 22nd and I will say right here that the gentleman I, McCorker, who wrote it should have had the common sense to spare all that valuable space in our foremost colored journal and spend four or five dollars to have it published in book form and derive therefrom money enough to purchase some old Clippers and Mirrors in order to know who he is speaking of and how to compare them. Should he be a gentleman of culture and refinement which, under the circumstances is not plausible, he would make no mention of any instance, regarding any of our great colored singers, past or present, dead or alive that is not complimentary.

From the fact that this great (?) black Allen Dale expresses himself, in such beautiful figures of speech, such as "in the game," "pork chops," "sneaked in," "have a good time" etc. leads a stranger to believe that he is a cheap gambler, humble liver, a toper when he has the cash and would sneak in other places than church for other reasons than to hear people sing as he says in his complimentary article.

As for real tenors. you left out Geo. Holt, Des Moines, Ia, "see Clipper, Sept. 98," peer of all. The reason I wrote this to you is to show you how illiterate inaccurate, narrowminded and insignificant you are to make such a broad assertion. He is, no doubt an old self-important man that takes great pleasure in reading that book he wrote and as I am a young man, my heart bleeds when in defense of my brother and sister professionals, and every one of them has that ambition to be great, as they should have, to have to tell an old man to keep his raving of his second childhood out of our colored journals.

I am brief and to the point and as a benefit to yourself, my race and the stage folks in general I advise you, "Comic Opera" speaking to desist.

H. GUS. HALL,
Principal Baritone, Black Patti Co.

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SONGS AND SINGERS.

That popular artist, Helene Mora, writes enthusiastically about Thortnon's "When You Were Sweet Sixteen." She claims this song is the most prominent number in her repertoire and that she is obliged to be always prepared for requests wherever she plays. No matter what new number she adds to her list, the managers always ask her to use the old standby.

"Oh My!" or ("The Troubles of a little black Coon") is the latest by Harry Freeman, composer of "Honey Dat I Loves So Well" Louise Dresser has added this song to her list of successes and will feature it during her coming Western engagement.

M. Witmark & Sons have just published two new songs by the late Karl Kennett, author of "Just One Girl." They are entitled "Good Night, Sweetheart" and "Sunrise." Both of them are beautiful ballads with very tuneful melodies.

The new waltz song "In The Springtime" is one of the greatest successes that W. T. Francis has ever written. Concert singers of every class are taking it up and it is bound to become a standard.

Society's Swift Sailing.

Monroe, La., Special.—J. W. Frost, who attended the carnival at New Orleans, has returned home well pleased with his trip. Others who attended were: Albert Smart, John Williams and A. F. Rogers. Mrs. Susie V. Presley, of Memphis, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Barnes. She made several friends in this city. Hon. D. C. Hill and Prof. A. H. Johnson were recent visitors to our city on Masonic business.

Muncie Items.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—The Eagle Band gave a concert in conjunction with A. M. E. church Monday evening. The Women Progress Club gave a drama "Three Glassers a day," Thursday evening at Star Hall. The M. E. church members gave an entertainment for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the minster; who expect to attend conference soon. Mr. William and Charles Jackson of Anderson spent Sunday in Muncie the guests of Misses Annie and Onie Shafer of East Jackson street. Mr. Frank and James Mansfield of Richmond spent Sunday in the city the guest of the Misses Alexanders of Whitely. Mr. Charles Ward of Farmland was in the city on business one day last week. Messrs. Barclay and Keith have opened a hotel on S. Mulberry street. They gave their opening last Friday night. The name of the hotel is The Mulberry. Mrs. W. H. Stokes is again on the sick list. The club, Mrs. Pierson leader of the Second Baptist church will give an entertainment soon. J. E. Robbins is in the city the guest of his son J. M. Robbin. Miss Lelia Hultz left Monday for Chicago whither she goes to accept a position with Mrs. Baylies as domestic. A farewell party was given in her honor Friday evening.

At Odd-Fellows' Hall.

About two-hundred enthusiasts witnessed several fistic encounters at Odd Fellows' hall in Indiana avenue, Thursday night of last week, there being numerous preliminaries before the principal bout, which was between Fred Blackburn, of this city, and "Shine" Russell, of Alexandria, and fought to a draw after an exciting and interesting contest of 10 rounds, which lasted about a half hour or three quarters of an hour. Other bouts were between Jess Clark and a fellow named Bybee, Kid Blackburn and Kid Stevens, of Casey, Ill., and Isaac Upshaw and Billie Smith, the "Columbia Club Pet." In these minor affairs Bybee, Upshaw and Blackburn had the better of the arguments and were declared the victors.

News, Social and Otherwise.

Columbus, Ga., Special.—One of the most delightful recent events in Columbus was a dinner given at the beautiful home of Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Mayer, Tuesday evening March, 4 in honor of Dr. C. D. Bell. Various games and music were enjoyed during the evening. Those present were: Misses Ida Clark, Lizzie Canty, J. G. Thomas, E. Haywood, T. Jones, Relia and Leila Davis, Julia Stevens, Nellie Porter, Mrs. J. H. Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Swan, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Clark, Messrs. F. F. Davis, C. J Turner, E. Wilson, Dr. Johnson of Macon, Dr. G. Allen, J. McCoy, Matthew Erby, J. B Mayer, J. L. McCall, J. C. Cook, Mr. and Mrs W. E. Weeks, Miss W. McNeal, Miss Annie Canty and Dr. C. D. Bell.

Troy News.

Troy, Ala., Special.—Mr. Green Penington a popular young man of this city has been working for ten years in the Dental office of Messrs. Boyd Bros., he has learned to comple plate work and to extract teeth. Give him a call. The Freeman representative attended services at St. Paul A. M. E. chuch last Sabbath and listen to an excellent sermon by Rev. R. L. Pope. B. D., he is a splendid preacher and his members are with him. The choir rendered excellent music wilh Mrs. R. L. Pope presiding at the organ. Rev. H. L. Weston of Goshen, Ala., was in the city Monday and bought a copy of The Freeman. He promised to subscribe.

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REV. EDWARD L. GILLIAM, EDITOR

INDIANAPOLIS NOTES.

The pastors and congregations are looking forward with pleasure to the return of spring. The attendance at the services has been greatly interfered with by the long stretch of wintry weather.

Rev. Downs, Hurley, Williams and Gilliam have been compelled owing to sickness to substitute others to preach for them. They are up and able to attend to their duties.

The ladies' societies, the sewing circles, pastors' aids, church aids, missionary, etc., in every church in the city have done much good work through the winter.

It is reported that Rev. J. W. Carr is to return to the city. We are not informed as to whether he will accept the pastorate of the Second Baptist church or not, nor are we certain as to his return to the city. Many friends would be pleased to have him return.

Quite a sensation was created by the report that some of the city pastors had entered into an agreement to lend their support to such candidates as would agree to pay a stipulated price for the endorsement. The report had it that such action had been taken by the Baptist Preachers' Alliance. Up to this writing no denial has been made by the Alliance. The Methodist, Christian and Presbyterian Ministers Union at their meeting, last week, passed their unqualified condemnation upon any such course, and adopted resolutions against pastors taking active part in political campaigns.

The War of the Roses at Simpson Chapel promises to be the most interesting affair that has been had in that church for the past two years. Generals Rogister and Booyer are hard at work rallying their forces and hope to raise at least $500 on Sunday, March 23.

The ladies of the Corinthian Baptist Sewing Circle had an enjoyable all-day reception last week at Mrs. Proctor's on Fifteenth street.

The Presbyterian church is planning to remodel or put extensive repairs upon their edifice. Rev. Gibson has been quite successful in his pastorate thus far, and the future is bright for still greater successes.

The Christian church is in better condition than ever before, and Rev. Herrod is much gratified and is planning great things for this year.

The closing services of the conference year at Simpson Chapel will be held Sunday, the 23d. Rev. D. J. Donahoo will preach at 11 a. m., Rev. L. W. Ratliff at 3 p. m. and the pastor at 8 p m.

Mrs. Mattie A. Sissle has been selected to represent the George Downing Woman's Home Missionary Society at Cincinnati, March 28th.

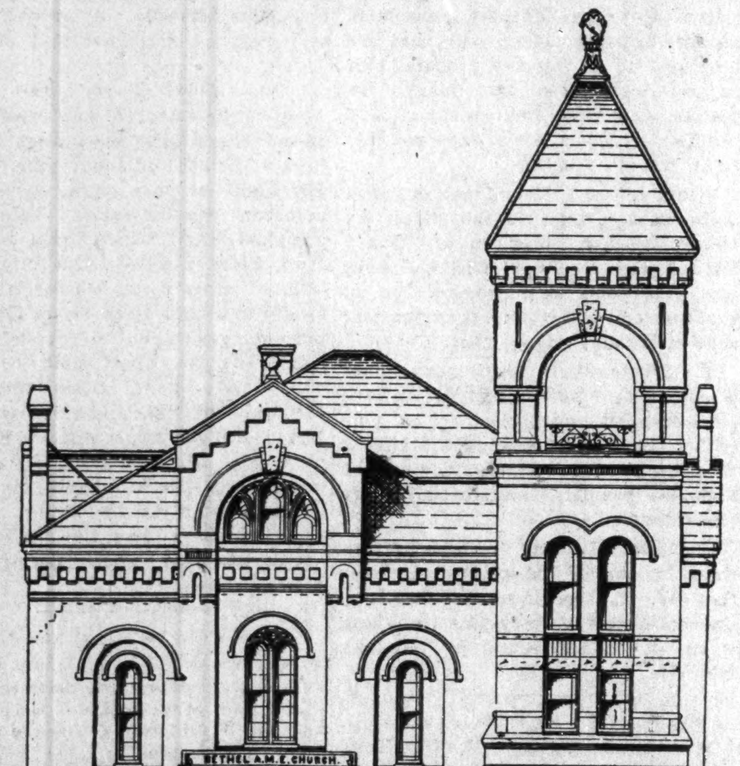
OUR CITY CHURCHES.

Beginning with this issue we hope to be able to present our readers with cuts of our city churches, and present to-day that of Bethel A. M. E. church, Vermont street. It is an imposing structure, centrally located, has a membership of about one thousand, and wields much influence in the city. Rev. R. R. Downs, D. D, is the pastor, and Rev. J. O'Banyon, P. E.

The Rev. J. E. Wilson, D. D., of South Carolina has been chosen a member of the commission to arrange for the entertainment of the General Conference of the M. E. church. This commission also selects the city.

AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

The Bishops of the A. M. E. church held their annual council in New York recently. The reports from their denominational societies were gratifying, showing the handsome sum of $954,779 received, $939 873 expended during the past four years. This is a magnificent showing, and is no doubt very encouraging to the 600,000 members of that great denomination. Dr. Watson, Corresponding Secretary of the Church Extension Society, has his headquarters in this city.



BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

The Church Aid and Sewing Circles of Simpson Chapel will make a strong effort to raise fifty dollars for the rally March 23.

The oratorical contest between the schools of the city, at Bethel church a week ago, was largely attended. Noble Sissle, son of the Rev. G. A. Sissle, was awarded the first prize.

Ten days from date the Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, of which Simpson Chapel is a member, will convene in Cincinnati. The members and friends are hoping to have their present pastor returned for another year.

PASTORS, CHURCHES, POLITICS.

At a recent meeting of the Ministerial Union, held in this city, the question as to "the propriety of pastors taking active part in political campaigns" was discussed. It was the unanimous opinion of those present that a pastor was entitled to every right and privilege of citizenship that any other man enjoyed, and while no one questioned his right to enter the public arena and discuss the political questions of the day, he propriety of so doing was seriously doubted and condemned

There is nothing which detracts more from a pastor's dignity and influence as to see him mingling with a promiscuous crowd of ward politicians and their followers, two-thirds of whom are filled with beer and bad whisky, and from whose lips there flow a constant stream of oaths and vulgar language. The pastor who engages in such adds nothing to himself nor to the church in his charge, but brings both into disrepute. A twin evil with this practice is that of lending the use of church buildings for political meetings for a few paltry dollars. In order to make an attempt to deceive the public, these political meetings are gotten up under some other name, and the candidates are invited, our wives, daughters and sisters are expected to enter the campaign, oftimes with men who are half drunk, many of whom have no respect for a colored woman, in order to get a few treats which will bring in a few dimes for the church. What would Christ have thought of such when he drove the money changers out of His house? The prostitution of our churches for such purposes should be stopped at once, and those preachers or officials who endorse such should be given to understand that we have as much veneration for our houses of worship, as much respect for ourselves, and as little use for a class of leaders who will sell us out to the world as have the pastors and congregations of the white churches of our city. Let this position be taken, and the politicians will make no effort to insult the intelligent christianity of our city by making propositions to desecrate our sanctuaries with their unholy gatherings. It is to be hoped that those pastors who take this high view may receive the hearty endorsement and support of the best element of their membership.

POLICY AND POLICY PLAYERS.

The present city administration is to be congratulated upon the earnest effort that is being made to stamp out this curse of policy in our city. The police have shown commendable zeal in aprehending those engaged in selling tickets, and after a long time the judges have succeeded in securing juries to condemn them. Now let the members of the churches who have been following this form of gambling for many years go to God and ask His forgiveness, and use their influence against its resurrection, and the victory will have been gained for decency and order.

Arkansas City is having a spiritual arousing under the leadership of that matchless divine, Rev. T. W. Screws, of Greenville, Miss. Rev. Screws is a most successful minister and a thorough race man. He is much in demand wherever he is known. He has for years been the pastor of St. John Baptist church at this place. The church has taken on wonderful proportions under his administration. Rev Screws stands for high morals in church circles, and his oversight means a general straightening up.

BISHOP GEORGE W. CLINTON'S ADDRESS.

Bishop G. W. Clinton, D. D., of the A. M. E. Zion Church visited Hot Springs, March 1, to preach far the Rev M. F. Fulford of Walters Chapel. He arrived on Saturday and was driven to the principal places of interest and then to the residence of Mrs. Janie Wofford whose guest he was during h's stay in the city. By an arrangement made by the Rev. W. F. Fulford, the Bishop repaired to the Waverly hotel, one of the leading hostelries of this great pleasure resort and delivered an address, on "The Church as a factor in the elevation of the Negro," to the 125 guests. This cultured audience of whites, many of whom had never heard a Negro Bishop and none of whom had ever heard of a colored man speaking in that hotel, gave the Bishop their best attention. His address was one that reflected credit upon him and was a source of instruction to them.

He said that the factors which had done the most to improve the condition of the Negro, since the slave period were the school and the church. He told them that he represented what the Negro could do for himself, by himself, in a church which started out 107 years ago as a separate race organization with less than 100 persons. Its membership to-day was nearly 500,000 with its own academies and colleges, publishing house and book concern, where some 300,000 copies of literature were sent out annually, the work all being done by young men and women of the race. He appealed to the white friends to aid Rev., Fulford in his efforts to erect a church as the surest agency to help the colored people make of themselves worthy citizens. His address was heartily applauded and many have since contributed to the assistance of Rev. Fulford.

SOME DONT'S FOR PREACHERS.

Don't say in your sermon, "just another word" and then talk for fifteen minutes longer.

Don't fail to see and speak to strangers. Give them a kindly smile and an invitation to return.

Don't speak unkindly of the pastor whom you have succeeded

Don't forget the children. They are often your only entrances into the older peoples hearts.

Don't forget that sermons are not literary essays, but gospel messages to save men.

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Race Gleanings.

George W. Thurston, colored, of New York, a former Pullman car porter, will receive the greater part of the estate of Mrs. Eliza Jane Evans, white, valued at from $75,000 to $100,000 Mrs. Evans's will, which was contested by her divorced husband and relatives, has been admitted to probate by Surrogate Fitzgerald. "Thurston," the surrogate said, "seems to have been the only one to whom she clung during the latter years of her life. When she had been forsaken by her relatives he cared for her, and did what he could to administer to her comfort and alleviate her condition."

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Madame.—I feel it my duty to do this for you are all you advertise. Just think my husband and I have been separated 2 years; I called on you in September and in a week's time he returned and married me, and I can't praise you too much. Ladies that are heart-broken by family troubles, love affairs and bad luck until it seem that life is a blank, call or write to this dear lady, she will do you good; she will tell you to trust God and she will do the balance, and she will. A LADY of Rossland, B. C.

Dear Sisters and Brothers—Call on her when you can, she will be please to meet you and will when ever you wish to. She devotes her entire time for the welfare of the people believing God will reward her She will make your very soul glad to hear her talk of heaven for she writes such soul searching letters, tells you how to make home happy. Please always enclose stamp for answer. Here she is as she looks today and a bride three weeks.

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Mrs. Emeline Virginia Walters, wife of Bishop Alexander Walters, of the A. M. E. Zion church, is dead at Jersey City, age forty-two.

The statement sent out by the Associated Press that some of the students in the University of Nebraska rebelled against the selection of Booker T. Washington to deliver the commencement address is without foundation whatever, as we are informed upon the authority of Chancellor E Benjamin Andrews. The selection of Mr. Washington was made without a dissenting voice.

Ernest Hogan, the Afro-American comedian, has been spending some time in Hawaii with his troupe. Last week he had a misunderstanding with Prince Cupid, and promptly challenged the Banaka to fight a duel with any sort of weapons he might select. We trust that if the duel is pulled off, neither of the distinguished gentlemen may get killed. In calling the Prince's hand, Hogan showed that he has an up to date American's appreciation for a real good advertisement when he sees it.

Thomas I. Hall, who died recently in Baltimore, was a prominent figure in the Order of Galilean Fishermen, and for nineteen years the National Grand Ruler of the Order. He was at the time of his death the Most Excellent High Priest. A large delegation of the order from out of town attended the funeral. Rev. Thomas Shorts, president of the Galilean Fisherman's Bank at Hampton, Va., and National Grand Ruler of the Order, was present and took part in the ceremonies. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Ernest Lyon, pastor of John Wesley M. E. Church.

Samuel E. Davis, colored, a skilled mechanic of New Orleans has sent Miss Alice Roosevelt, a gourd-shaped instrument, made for the most part of mahogany, inlaid with mother of pearl and with just a trimming of cypress. It was all the work of his hands except the strings, which were bought here. He made the keys, the finger boards, the body, and he fashioned it with rare skill, intending all the time to make for the daughter of the President something which she will keep. It was a beautiful piece of craftmanship, daintily curved, exquisitely touched, and it had a tone rare and sweet. "I worked on the violin for months," he said. "I had no intention at first of presenting it to Miss Roosevelt, but as I progressed with it and saw it was going to be the best work of my days, I determined to send it to the President's daughter.

The colored citizens of Atlanta, Ga., are public-spirited and are awake to their interests. At the opening of the Carnegie Library in that city a committee consisting of the most prominent colored citizens waited on the Board of Directors and requested that provision be made for their people to enjoy the benefits of the Library. Able addresses were delivered by Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois of Atlanta University and President James M. Henderson of Morris Brown College. The committee was assured by the board of directors that provision would be made. This is another entrance wedge to the rending of Southern social caste.

Principal Booker T. Washington gave the recent Negro conference at Tuskegee the best of advice when he told them to put money in their purses, and the conference wisely put his advice into resolutions.

Beyond all doubt the best way in which Alabama Negroes can better their condition is to get property. A Negro who joins the property-holding and taxpaying class is invariably is a bond for good behavior. He becomes known as a "good" Negro, and he also becomes a voter.

If an Alabama Negro, the head of a family, wishes to become a citizen in the fullest sense of the word he can readily accomplish the task in this State by buying forty acres of cotton-and-corn lands, or five acres of trucking or dairy lands. A Negro who has a couple of bags of cotton on his wagon or a load of vegetables, eggs or butter is under no disqualifications whatever. He has what all want.

Now, what Negro in good health or strength is there who cannot purchase land in Alabama, where land is dirt cheap? There is not a county in the State in which fertile land cannot be bought at $10 an acre or less—not one. Even here in populous Jefferson lands can be bought at $10 an acre.

By an informal vote, the Women's Club presidents of Massachusetts have declared themselves in favor of a compromise on the question of the admission of colored organizations to the general Federation of Women's Clubs. The compromise leaves the matter to the decision of each State. The executive board of the State Federation has rejected the compromise, but the presidents have asked the executive board to reconsider the decision.

Few of the millions of people who have visited Mount Vernon during the last half century could have over-looked the picturesque and stalwart figure of Uncle Edmund Parker, the old colored man who reverently guarded the tomb of Washington. His courtly and dignified manners, his deeply marked face and the respectful courtesy with which he answered questions made an impression upon every one. He was tall of stature, but his shoulders were slightly bent with age, and his beard and hair of late years became sprinkled with gray.

The old man died with the old year and is greatly missed by all the habitues of that sacred place, for he had been there since 1841, with occasional intervals of absence during the war. He was born in 1827 at Blakely Farm, near Charleston, W. Va., a slave of Mrs. John Augustine Washington, and came with her to Mount Vernon, where he lived on the plantation until he joined Ellsworth's zouaves at Alexandria as cook.

The Joseph Keasbey Brick agricultural school of which Prof. T. S. Inborden is Principal had been made the recipient of a million dollars by the will of Mrs. Julia Brewster Brick of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. Francis J. Grimke, D. D., of Washington, is to deliver a course of lectures and sermons at the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama during the first week in April.

Principal Booker T. Washington, by special invitation, dined recently in New York with Mr. John D. Rockefeller and his son, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., for the purpose of talking over the needs of education in the South.

The Colored National Emigration Association with those who are in favor of leaving the United States for Africa, Cuba, Hawaii or any other part of the world, where the Negro can have manhood Civil and Political rights, regardless of color, will hold a convention at Chattanooga, Tenn., May 28, 1902, for the purpose of devising some scheme to this end upon which all can unite. The call is signed by Rev. W. H. Heard Bishop H. M. T. Turner is the leading spirit in the movement.

Tabernacle Entertainment.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Special. — The most successful entertainments of the season was given by the Daughters of the Tabernacle, at Second Baptist church on the 22d ult. An excellent program was rendered. W. C. Wooden died on the 23rd ult. He was a young man of excellent character, and was admired by all acquaintances. Mr. and Mrs. John Guess, of Greenville, Tenn., are in the city visiting Mr. Gipson. Mrs. Mary Bybee, of Indianapolis, attended the funeral of Fred. Hyatt, in this city, on the 3d. Wickliffe Smith, of Danville, Ill., was in the city recently in the interest of the "International," a newspaper in which he has an interest. Quite a number of our young people were present at the graduating exercises of the Covington high school, of which class Miss Fannie Richey was a member. A revival is in progress at the A. M. E. church.

Martha Washington Tea Party.

Steubenville, O., Special.—The Martha Washington tea party given by the Household of Ruth in Odd Fellows' hall, on the 28th ult., was a brilliant function. Fully two hundred were in attendance. The hall was tastefully decorated. The program given was elaborate and well rendered. Robert Morten died at the city infirmary on the 23d ult., at the age of 23 years. J. A. Lewis is ill with the mumps. The Y. P. C. U. met at the home of Mrs. Henry Tileman on Sunday afternoon, the 2d inst. Several addresses on religious topics were delivered. Quarterly meeting was held at Quinn Chapel on the 2d inst. Rev. Dr. Johnson, P. E., delivered two able sermons. An enjoyable entertainment was given at the parsonage of the Sixth Street church on the 25th ult. About sixty young people were in attendance. A choice program was rendered. The Woman's Reading club met at the home of Mrs. Anna Bolden Thursday afternoon Virgil Howard, Wm. Freeman and Miss Eugenia Anderson are on the sick list. Z. T. Kent has returned from a visit to his parents in Wheeling, W. Va.

She Sends Love to Father.

Miss Nellie Troy, of Birmingham, Ala., sends her undivided love to her father, H. D. Troy, of Tampa, Fla., and says she is still at home, 1107 Fifth avenue.

FARM AND HOME

The Ben Davis Apple.

Prof. G. S. Goff, of Wisconsin Experiment Station.

We Wisconsin people have been very free to denounce the Ben Davis apple because of its lack of good quality, and yet what would we have done this season without the Ben Davis? Probably three-fourths of the apples that have come to the Madison market since November have been of this variety; and only this variety has been sold at a price that a poor man could afford to pay. And, with the exception of a very few apples of other varieties that have sold at the rate of above $7 per barrel, I have been able to find no apples of their kind except the stigmatized Ben Davis. There is an old proverb, "Speak well of the bridge that carries you safely over," that will apply pretty well here. Whatever may be said against the Ben Davis it "gets there," and we can have apples when, except for it, most of us would have had to do without. Driven by poverty to accept this fourth-rate apple, I have made its acquaintance better than ever before, and must confess that my contempt for it has not increased with familiarity. At its best its quality will hold its own with most Northwestern apples. It is fine-grained, tender when ripe, and what flavor it has is appleish. It lacks juice, which may be the secret of its good keeping. Its skin is thinner than in some other varieties that rank much higher as dessert apples. It is not much given to scab, and has that prime requisite of success, good looks. Of course, the Ben Davis is not a Wisconsin apple, either by birth or adoption, and it can never be, but until we can offer something better why should we condemn it?

For gapes in chickens, a piece of fat salt pork, size of a corn kernel, is recommended. It will readily be eaten by a fowl.

Sheep are the only animals which do not really exhaust the land on which they feed. They distribute manure evenly on the field and tramps and trample it into the soil and feeding it upon plants that other animals will not consume.

To preserve the underground ends of posts and stakes make a solution of four pounds copperas in twenty-five gallons of water, in which soak the ends thoroughly; let them dry and they can be used, says an exchange.

Vary the crops and not depend upon one thing only. The farmer who raises all kinds of articles for market will escape the effects of drought with some of them, while to depend upon a single crop may prove ruinous.

Potatoes may be sprayed six times at a cost of $6 per acre. Professor Galloway, of the Department of Agriculture, thinks, that in view of the increased yield and quality, growers are warranted in spending this much money for spraying.

Double-glazed windows are nearly equal to brick walls as protection against cold, but the glazing should be done on a dry day and in a dry place, so as not to inclose moist air, which might cause mistiness between the panes of glass.

New York fruit growers have passed resolutions opposing any proposed scheme to use government funds to irrigate the arid sections of the West, claiming that they cannot compete with farmers who have the advantage of cheap, new, fertile lands.

A high record for seven days is not always a good one, so far as showing the actual value of the cow is concerned. The true test of a cow is the number of pounds of butter she produces in a year and its cost. The results for a single week may be from excessive feeding, with extra cost for labor; but such cows however, are usually capable of giving good results for a month or year also.

For keeping tools bright and free from rust, when through using, brush them with a preparation made by stirring enough red or black mineral paint into crude petroleum to make the mixture of consistency easy to spread. This can be applied with a brush made of a piece of sheep skin tanned with the wool on or with any ordinary brush. It will prevent rust and may be rubbed off rapidly, leaving the face of the tool perfectly bright.

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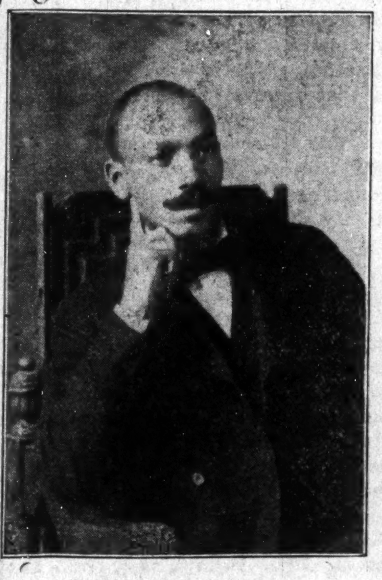

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..CITY NOTES..

Mrs. Pompey Malone is recovering from a recent illness.

Bishop Grant returned Monday after several weeks absence.

Clarence Hodge of Shelbyville, Ind., was in the city last week.

Mrs. A. R. Moss is seriously ill at her home in N. Missouri street.

Mrs. R. P. Root of Chicago was the guest of her brother W. Allison Sweenie last week.

Oliver Jasper an old and respected citizen died Sunday suddenly, and was buried Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. John Jones left Saturday to attend the bedside of a very sick sister at her home in Louisville, Ky.

Rev. John Bush of Alexandria, Ind., was in the city this week and preached at Allen Chapel Sunday night.

Miss Mamie Hawkins, President of Simpson Chapel Church Aid Circle has returned from Hinsdale and Chicago, Ill.

The Rev. E. C. Booth, presiding elder of the Chicago district of the A. M. E church, is visiting his family in this city.

Rev. L. G. Jordan of Louisville, Ky., lectured at Zion church last week for the benefit of the Baptist Missionary Work.

Miss Annette E. Perkins stenographer at The Freeman office left to-day for her home in W. Va., to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Wm Fisher and little daughter left this week for Denver, Colo., to join her husband. They will reside there permanently.

There was another meeting of the conference called by Dr. B. J. Morgan in the interest of the Flanner Guild last Thursday evening.

The Rev. C. W. Thompson, pastor of Wayman Chapel, will return to his former home at Philadelphia, April 22, for an indefinite stay.

The Musical that was given at the 9th Presbyterian church Monday evening, was a grand success. An excellent program was rendered.

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Mesdames Kathryn Harper, Lucretia Knox, Miss Daisy Walker, and Messrs. Frank Brown, William Collins and Harry Ratcliffe gave a Musical at Anderson Thursday evening.

Mrs. Julia Francis Turner and son Digby Bell of Providence, R. I., but formerly of Indianapolis, are the guests of Mrs. E. W. Robinson in New York City.

There was a mask social given for the benefit of Simpson Chapel Wednesday evening at the residence of Capt. Scott's of the White Rose Army, 226 W. 15th street.

The Ministers Union held an interesting meeting on Wednesday. A paper on "The authority of the Christian Religion" was read by Rev. E. L. Gilliam, and discussed by those present.

William Scott and C. W. Heaton, who have been in New York ever since they left Indianapolis, their home, will leave Gotham for London, England, in a few weeks to study some of the foreign styles of dress.

The Rev. R. J. Perkins of Huntington, W. Va., is in the city conducting a revival service at the Second Baptist church. Rev. Perkins is the president of the W. Va., Industrial College of Red Star W. Va.

The Woman's Club held their annual election officers on Wednesday at their meeting held at the residence of Mrs. Smith W. Pratt street.

Wm. R. Thompson, representing the Imperial Embroidery Co., St. Louis, Mo., is the first Negro drummer sent out from that city by a white firm. He had only been out three days when he made sales amounting in the aggregate to $870, making only two cities—Fort Wayne, Ind., and Toledo, O.

The Phylogenesis Club of Irvington has elected the following officers: President, B. H. Corley; vice-president, W. Baker; recording secretary, Louis Young; corresponding secretary, Mack Adams; chaplain, G Brock; sergeant-at-arms, John Whallen; treasurer, D. Lee; executive committee, Wm. Boyd, chairman; Burton Highbaugh, Winston Hodges.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of Simpson Chapel met last Friday afternoon at 4 p. m., at the home of Mrs. G. A. Sissle, 1708 Columbia avenue. The society elected a delegate to attend the general missionary meeting to be held at Cincinnati March 28. Mrs. Lavina H. Speery, agent for missions in the State, will be present and address the meeting.

A surprise party was tendered Mrs. J. W. Smith at her home, 2059 Cooper street, Monday night, the 10th inst., in honor of her 40th birthday anniversary. An enjoyable time was had until a late hour. Refreshments and dainties were served in abundance. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hickerson, Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tasker, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ross, Mrs. B. K. Berry, Misses Lucy Puryear, Katie Wilson, Bertha Ross, Messrs. Will Harris, Walter and Arthur Marshall, Henry Wilson and Charles, James. Mrs. Smith was the recipient of many presents. The Misses Margaret and Lenina Smith entertained the young folks to the queen's taste.

The White and Red Rose Armies are actively at work and Generals Rogister and Booyer expect to raise the $500 asked for by pastor and officers. Rev. J. M. Morton will preach a special sermon to the White Roses to-morrow at 3 p. m. Two grand concerts are on foot. The White Roses on Wednesday the 19th and the Red Roses on Friday the 21st. The friends are urged to assist. The Church Aid and Sewing Circles are also at work and will make good report of themselves in the final rally March 23.

Sunday week will be the end of this conference year, and also the great rall day. Rev. D. J. Donahoo will preach at 11 a. m., Rev. L. W. Ratliff at 3 p. m., and the pastor his farewell sermon at 8 p. m.

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A Card of Thanks.

Editor Freeman—The three lodges, Lincoln Union, Garret Smith and O. P. Morton, through their joint committee, on the night of March 6, a few days in advance of my birthday, which occurs April 9, presented me with a very acceptable birthday present. Undertaker C. M. C. Willis spokesman.

On the night of March 11 the Woman's Club acted in a like manner, Rev. E. L. Gilliam spokesman.

Individual friends, not a few, have contributed their part in trying to make me as comfortable as possible during the weeks and months of my illness. They will all please accept my grateful thanks.

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South Bend Items.

South Bend, Ind., Special.—Rev. F. P. Green pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist church has gone to Cincinnati, O., to help Rev. L. W. Gray with his revival. Elder Roberts, pastor of Olivet Chapel is doing all in his power to make the meeting a success. Mrs. Ed Cooksey and Mrs. Charles Calloway entertained the ladies of the Eastern Star Reading Circle Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Cooksey, Colfax Ave. Miss Grace Powell entertained the St. P. Ruffin Club and the Needle Club together Friday afternoon at her home 109 Cedar street Mishawaka. Mr. Jasper Sanders is sick at his home 720 W. Monroe. Mrs. Susie Braxton has returned from Terre Haute where she was called on account of the death of her father. The boys of the Oliver are making great perparation to make the ball a grand affair. It is the boys of the Oliver who read The Freeman.

ELEVATION OF THE NEGRO

BISHOP POTTER AND WASHINGTON TELL HIS NEEDS.

The Farm Is His Salvation—Should be Taught to Till the Soil and Kept from Large Cities—Tillman Criticised.

New York, March 6.—A meeting in the interest of Hampton and Tuskegee Institutes was held last night at Carnegie Hall. Bishop Potter was chairman and Booker T. Washington made the principal speech of the evening. Bishop Potter in taking the chair said:

"We must deal with the black man as a problem, not in fragments, but as a whole. In doing this we must be prepared not to meet with a great deal of sympathy from certain quarters. I must confess that the first man who entered my mind as I entered this hall was the senior Senator from South Carolina. Some time ago, in Boston, he said what these institutions at Hampton and Tuskegee were doing was to educate the Negro so as to enable him to enter the trades and crowd out the white people. This is a peculiar discrimination to make just as we have begun to elevate the colored men and women. We ought to realize that the main thing that divides the Negro from the white is the lack of culture, and that by giving him this culture, we will ennoble him and raise him to a level of intelligence and creative citizenship."

On introducing Mr. Washington, Bishop Potter said that after President had entertained Booker T. Washington as his guest he telegraphed him as follows: "I congratulate you upon your guest. He was a guest at my table last winter, and I never entertained a worthier one." "Somehow or other," continued the bishop, "my message became public, and since that time I have received numerous letters from people south of the Mason and Dixon line, entreating me not to show myself in their neighborhood, as their citizens had no desire to entertain me."

WASHINGTON'S SPEECH.

Mr. Washington was received with great applause. He said, in part:

"With the Negro, as with every weak and inexperienced race, it is important that he be taught that his salvation is in learning to own and cultivate intelligently and skilfully the soil. To the Negro just now this is the wheat: all else is chaff. Agriculture will prove our salvation, and the race should be slow to abandon the farm.

"Just now a large proportion of the race needs that education which will make the youth return to the farm and produce fifty bushels of corn where only twenty-five grew before, rather than yield to the temptation to go to a city and attempt to live by their wits. Those who would help save my race should use their influence to keep the Negro out of the large cities, especially the cities of the North These are some of the lessons that Hampton and Tuskegee Institute are constantly teaching.

"The time has come when we must see to it that all the people in the South have the fullest opportunities for the very best education. All must be educated without regard to color. Out of her poverty the South has done well, but the tremendous demands upon her for the education of two races should enlist your hearty interest and support. Providing for education in the South is not a matter of giving alms or mere philanthropy. It is a matter of business that concerns the whole country."

The Fountain of Youth

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—James Fisique, age 96 years, an old resident of this city, died on the 5th inst. Rev. E. Waylott Merchant, B. D., is in the city, stopping with Rev. J. R Bennett. Mrs. Abe McDonald, who has been visiting here, was called to her home in Vicksburg, Miss., on account of the illness of her brother, Henry Church. Don't forget to attend the annual carnival at Visitor's Chapel A. M. E. church, beginning the 17th and lasting through the week. Mrs. Emma Jones, who has been taking treatment here for three months, has returned to her home in Althiemer, Ark., last week much improved. Mrs. Belle Green, who has been here on an extended visit, left for her home in Pine Bluff last week. Go to B. F. Ray's barber shop for a first class shave and hair cut, at 116½ Central avenue. Bird S. Neal, of Camden, Ark., is here for the season. The rally at Roanoke Baptist church was a financial success. The sum of $112 was raised; Rev. J. W. Jackson is pastor. Mrs. Mary Dyer, of Memphis, came here last week to join her husband, Wm. Dyer, who has been here several weeks. Walter Seymour, well known in hotel circles, is hat-man at the Park hotel. The reception given at the residence of Mrs. Poindexter in honor of Rev. M. F. Fulfoe and wife, was a very swell affair. Among those present were: Messrs. Welburn, Bolen, Edwards, Board, Hopkins, Ashcraft and Joe McMillen. Mmes. E. Welburn, Ella Watts, Eliza Ferguson and Miss Bessie Miller, who have been quite ill, is much better. Mrs. Mattie Taylor is convalescing. Louis Jordan died on the 8th and was buried on the 9th from Eureka Baptist church. Miss Daisy Jones, who was visiting in Hot Springs, was called to her home in Indianapolis, on account of the illness of her sister. Mrs. Maria Johnson died on the 9th and was buried from Roanoke Baptist church the 10th.

SANITOIUM NOTES

Dr. C. W. Wade, manager of St. Pythian Sanitorium, is kept busy night and day. Messrs. Thomas Robison, of McCallister, I. T., and S. S. Cain are the arrivals of the past week.

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Crawfordsville, Ind., Special.—Clinton Patterson has gone to Tuskegee, Ala., to attend Booker T. Washington's school. Mr. Patterson is one of the coming young men of our city, and we wish him success. Miss Lulu Gernell spent Sunday in Indianapolis. Miss F. Coleman spent Sunday in the Hoosier Capitol. Nath Davis has gone to Logansport. There was quite an enthusiastic debate given at the Second Baptist church Sunday night. S. G. Paris will give a concert at the Second Baptist church to-night. Mrs. Cassie Day continues ill from the fall received some time ago. Misses Cassie Reed, Lucy Patterson, George Crittendon and many others are on the sick list. The Baptist and A. M. E. churches are making extensive preparation for Easter. S. G. Paris, Henry Humphrey and C. H. Hunter will spend Easter Sunday in Indianapolis.

Zanesville News

Zanesville, O, Special.—Miss Mary Tate entertained the Bachelor Maids Club Friday evening. Rev. Talbot of Wilberforce University preached at St. Paul church Sunday. Miss Annie Tate is out after several weeks illness. Miss Martha Ruggs has been quite ill at her home on Mt. Auburn. The funeral of the late John Terrill took place from St. Paul A. M. E church Thursday under the auspices of G. A. R. and Guiding Star Lodge G. U. O. O. F. The Ladies Sewing Circle met at Union Baptist church Friday evening. The W. M. M. S. gave a social Thursday evening of the benefit for the needy. Both Councils of Loyal Legion of Labor met at their quarters on Main street Monday evening. Esther Star Court will have their sermon preached at St. Paul church Palm Sunday. E C. Holland headwaiter at Clarendon Hotel is out after a severe illness.

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New York, March 8.—Cotton—Spot closed dull: middling uplands, 9 3-16c; middling gulf, 9 7-16c sales.

New Orleans, March 10.—Cotton quiet. Sales, 3,250 bales. Ordinary, 7 7-16c; good ordinary, 7 15-16c; low middling, 8 5-16c; middling, 8⅝c; good middling, 9c; middling fair, 9¼c. Receipts, 12,005 bales; stock, 297,993 bales.

New York, March 10—Cotton—Spot closed quiet and 1-16c lower; middling uplands, 9⅛c; middling gulf, 9⅜c. Sales, 4,100 bales.

New Orleans, March 11.—Cotton easy. Sales, 1,150 bales. Ordinary, 7 7-16c; good ordinary, 7 15-16c; low middling, 8 5-16c; middling, 8⅝c; good middling, 9c; middling fair, 9¼c. Receipts, 4,813 bales; stock, 305,974 bales.

New York, March 11.—Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands, 9⅛c; middling gulf, 9⅜c. Sales 1,815 bales.

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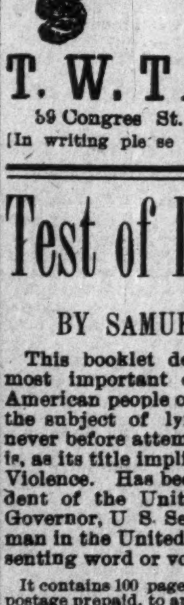

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